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On the night of June 18, 1941, at the Polo Grounds in New York, Joe Louis, heavyweight champion of the world, knocked out Billy Conn in the thirteenth round.

Suppose Conn had not gotten so careless and cocksure of himself and had lasted through the fifteenth. Would he have won the decision, and with it the title?

Did Conn actually have enough points up to the knockout to place him in a position to skate through the last two heats and still win?

These questions will be answered in the June issue of THE RING.

Daniel M. Daniel will write the third and final story in the saga of Joe Louis—third in a series leading up to the second contest between Joe and Conn.

Daniel will tell you how the 174-pound Conn piled up points against the 199½-pound Louis, as the crowd was electrified by the prospect of the end of Louis' reign.

There will be other interesting features surrounding this second Louis-Conn scrap—features dealing with the techniques of the heavyweight rivals, discussions as to how much either may have lost through his long layoff from competition while in the Army, and flashbacks to other championship fights.

Don't miss the Heavyweight Championship issue of THE RING Magazine, out next month. THE RING is the only publication that has discussed and continues to discuss, the coming Louis-Conn fight.

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Coming Louis-Conn Bout Recalled Deeds of Famous Ringmen of the Immortal Horton Law Days Era

By THE VETERAN

James J. Jeffries, rated by the late Tex Rickard as the greatest heavyweight of all time.

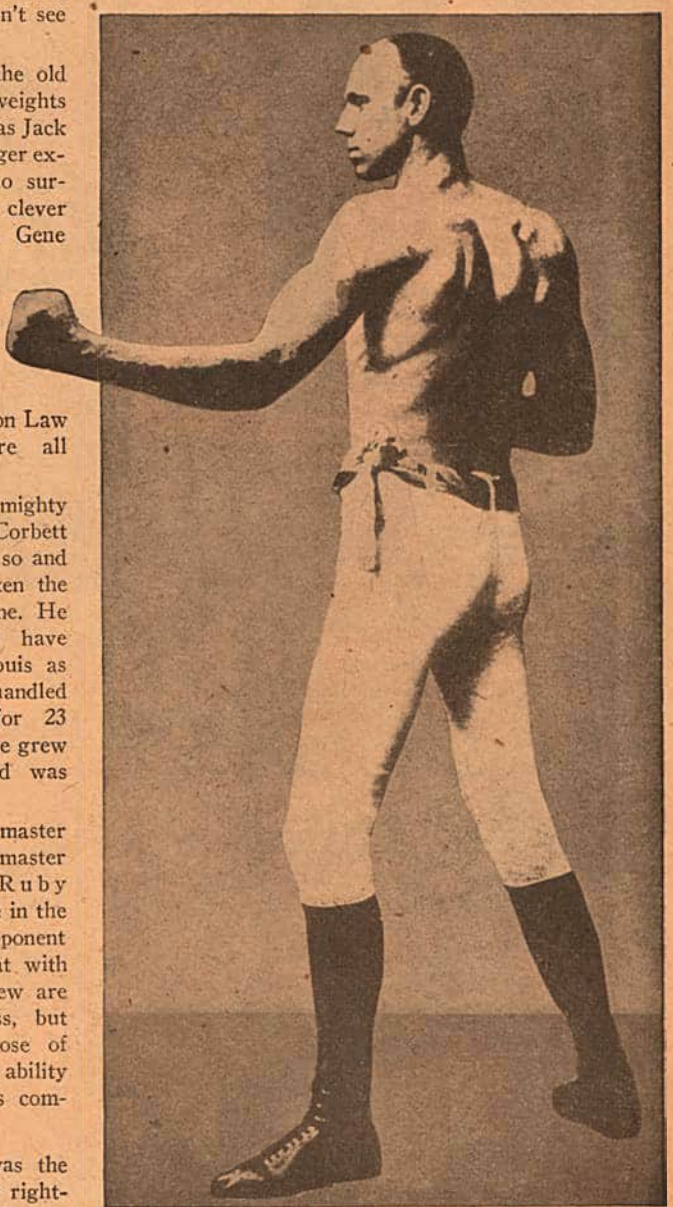
THERE isn't a fighter in the heavyweight division today, other than Joe Louis, Billy Conn and possibly Lee Oma, who can be rated on a par with even a few of the many big scrappers who used to thrill New York fans during the life of the Horton Law, from 1896 to September 1, 1900. Headed by Louis, the present-day heavies of prominence include Conn, Oma, Bivins, Mauriello, Wolcott, Baksi, Ray, Godoy, Schott, Bettina, Mann and Murray, fighters who would have been easy meat for the majority of those who thrived when the sport boasted of the greatest heavyweights that have ever graced the field. Let's take a look at those who ruled the roost in that era: James J. Corbett, Bob Fitzsimmons, James J. Jeffries, Tom Sharkey, Joe Choynski, Peter Maher, Gus Ruhlin, Joe Goddard and Kid McCoy, just to mention a few. They were fighters the likes of whom we don't see today.

The last of the old school heavyweights prior to Louis was Jack Dempsey, a slugger extraordinary, who surrendered to the clever master boxer, Gene Tunney, in Philadelphia. Dempsey was great, but Fitz, Corbett, Jeffries and Sharkey of the Horton Law days era were all greater.

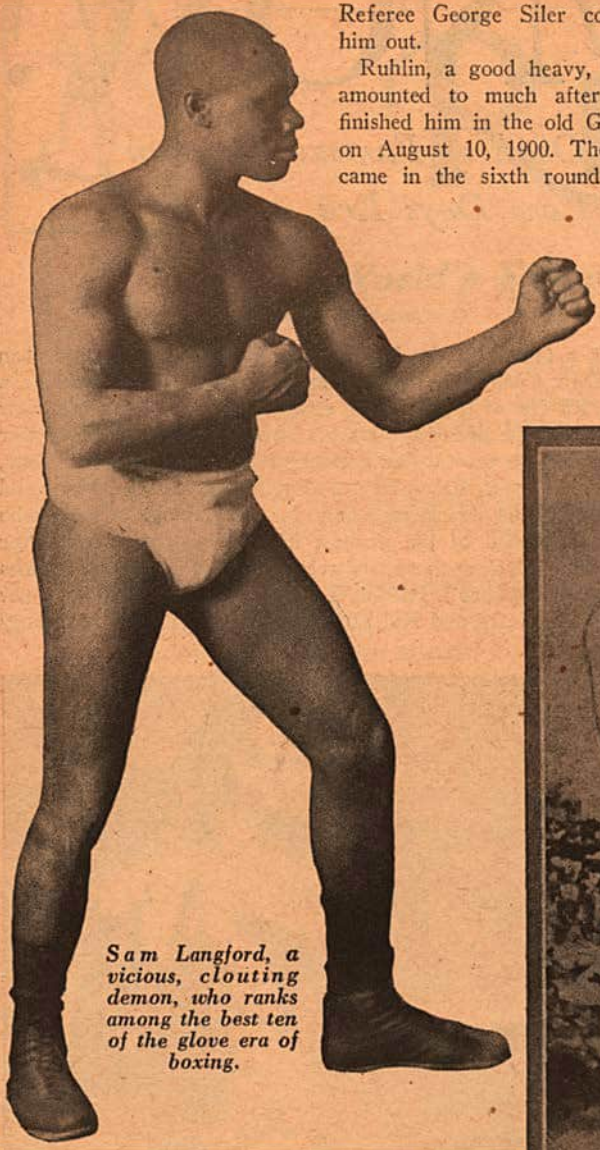
Tunney was mighty clever, but Jim Corbett was even more so and would have taken the measure of Gene. He likewise would have handled Joe Louis as easily as he handled Jim Jeffries for 23 rounds before he grew careless and was kayoed.

Fitz was a master boxer and a master hitter. When Ruby Robert sank one in the belly, his opponent couldn't come out for the next round. Corbett had a taste of that with Fitz's famed solar plexus blow. Comparison of the old and the new are frequently made and just as often criticized as being valueless, but to gauge the calibre of the men of the present era with those of the past, one must harp back to records, styles and fighting ability of the men of the romantic period of boxing with those of this commercial age.

Fitzsimmons, of all the heavyweights in championship bouts, was the only one to score a kayo with a smash in the bread basket—left- or right-handed—to annex the crown. Corbett, you will recall from the pictures often published in THE RING, crawled on all fours, painfully gasping for breath after the kayo had been delivered. It was in that position that



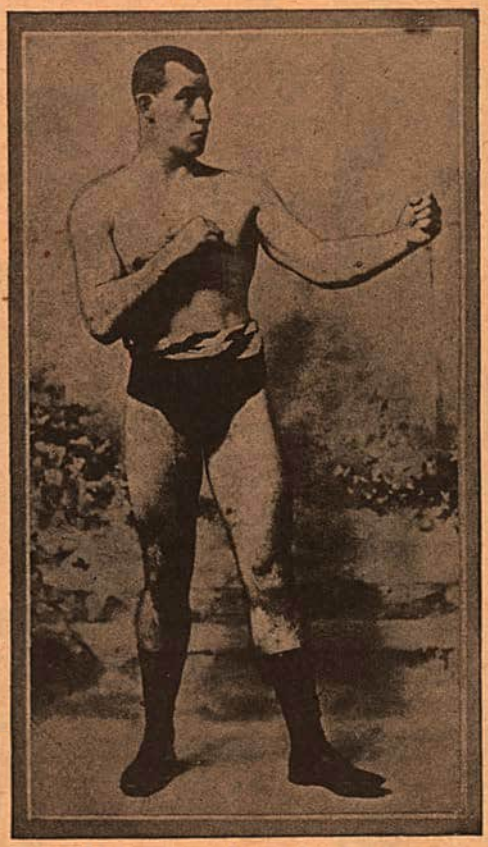
Bob Fitzsimmons as he looked when he won the crown from Corbett. He rated high as a body puncher. His left to the stomach beat many opponents.



Sam Langford, a vicious, clouting demon, who ranks among the best ten of the glove era of boxing.

Referee George Siler counted him out.

Ruhlin, a good heavy, never amounted to much after Fitz finished him in the old Garden on August 10, 1900. The end came in the sixth round with such suddenness that it had the spectators gasping. A pile-driving left, the same kind of punch that finished Corbett and the giant heavyweight, Ed Dunkhorst, in previous bouts, put Ruhlin away.



Tom Sharkey, a tough, two-fisted fighter, who lasted twenty-five rounds with Jim Jeffries.

When one discusses the great heavyweights of the past he should keep in mind Sam Langford. The Boston Tar Baby rated with the best. Though whipped in 15 rounds by Jack Johnson, the Galveston Giant refused to give Sambo a second chance. One taste of Langford's hefty wallops was all Johnson cared to have.

Langford combined superhuman strength, natural ring science, gameness to the nth degree and hitting power the equal of the best. Had he been in his prime today, I doubt that even Joe Louis could have prevented Langford from gaining the world heavyweight title.

There isn't a fighter in the field today, other than Louis, who could have stood up against Langford's attack for 15 rounds. Sam recently paid a great tribute to Louis. Asked by me how he thought Joe compared to the fighters of his day, Langford replied:

"I think he would have held his own against our best. I know I wouldn't have cared to have him for my opponent more than once."

"Could you have whipped him?" I asked.

"I dunno. Perhaps. Joe is a great fighter and a great hitter. He would have fitted in well with men of my time."

What better tribute from one fighting man to another?

My vote for all around ability, the best man among the heavyweights, goes to Jack Johnson, but there are many veterans who swear by Jim Jeffries and Fitz. Whenever a discussion of great heavyweights was started in the presence of Tex Rickard, he would get all het up over Jeffries.

The Old Grizzly Bear was his favorite. Tex would never stop telling of the greatness of the Boilermaker. He would talk about Jeff's strength, his fighting stance, his crouch and his tremendous hitting power and invariably would wind up with the statement:

"If Jeff had tackled Johnson five years previously, Jack would never have seen the light of day. He would have been knocked out before the tenth round."

That's what Rickard, the man who staged the Johnson-Jeffries fight, thought about Big Jim.

Jeffries, in addition to knocking out Bob Fitzsimmons, stowed Corbett away twice, once in 23 rounds of a fight that went down in ring history as one of the best of all time, and later in ten. When he clashed with the powerful Gus Ruhlin, a fighter who carried a hefty wallop, the Akron Giant was put to sleep in five rounds.

His toughest battle as a heavyweight was that with Tom Sharkey, a bout that went the limit of 25 rounds and in which Jeff had to be content with a decision. But Sharkey knew he had been in a battle. He was so badly battered that he was hospitalized with broken ribs for several weeks.

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THE old-timers who saw the immortal Fitzsimmons score knockouts with body blows, insist that he would have bowled over each of the present ten ranking heavyweights in a jiffy with the same kind of attack.

Of all of those in the field today, only Louis would have had a chance against Fitz because of his hitting power, but not a winning one—only to last more than the others would have in a battle with the Cornishman.

The late A. D. Phillips, veteran sportsman, who knew his boxing as did few experts, and who saw most of America's famous ringmen in action, frequently told me that in his opinion Fitz was the hardest hitter of all time. He declared that Bob carried a kayo wallop in either hand, was a smart boxer, a tricky and brainy ring general.

Pop Phillips, who passed away the day after he had celebrated his 89th birthday, visited the training camps of Max Schmeling, Jack Sharkey, Jack Dempsey, Young Stribling, Primo Carnera, Max Baer and Jimmy Braddock with me and, after watching them train day after day, he would shake his head and bemoan the passing of such stars as those mentioned in the Horton Law era.

When he saw Louis train for the first fight with Schmeling, he remarked two days before the fight:

"I'm sorry you picked Louis to beat Max. Schmeling will whip Joe and I think he'll even score a knockout."

That night I went on the air and I had Dad Phillips tell my listeners why he thought Joe would be defeated. Dad's choice was perfect.

Later, when Joe was training for the comeback fight with Max, Phillips was delighted to see the change in Joe.

"He's a changed fighter," he remarked as we left Joe to travel to Max's camp, and after he had watched Schmeling for three days, though not a betting man,

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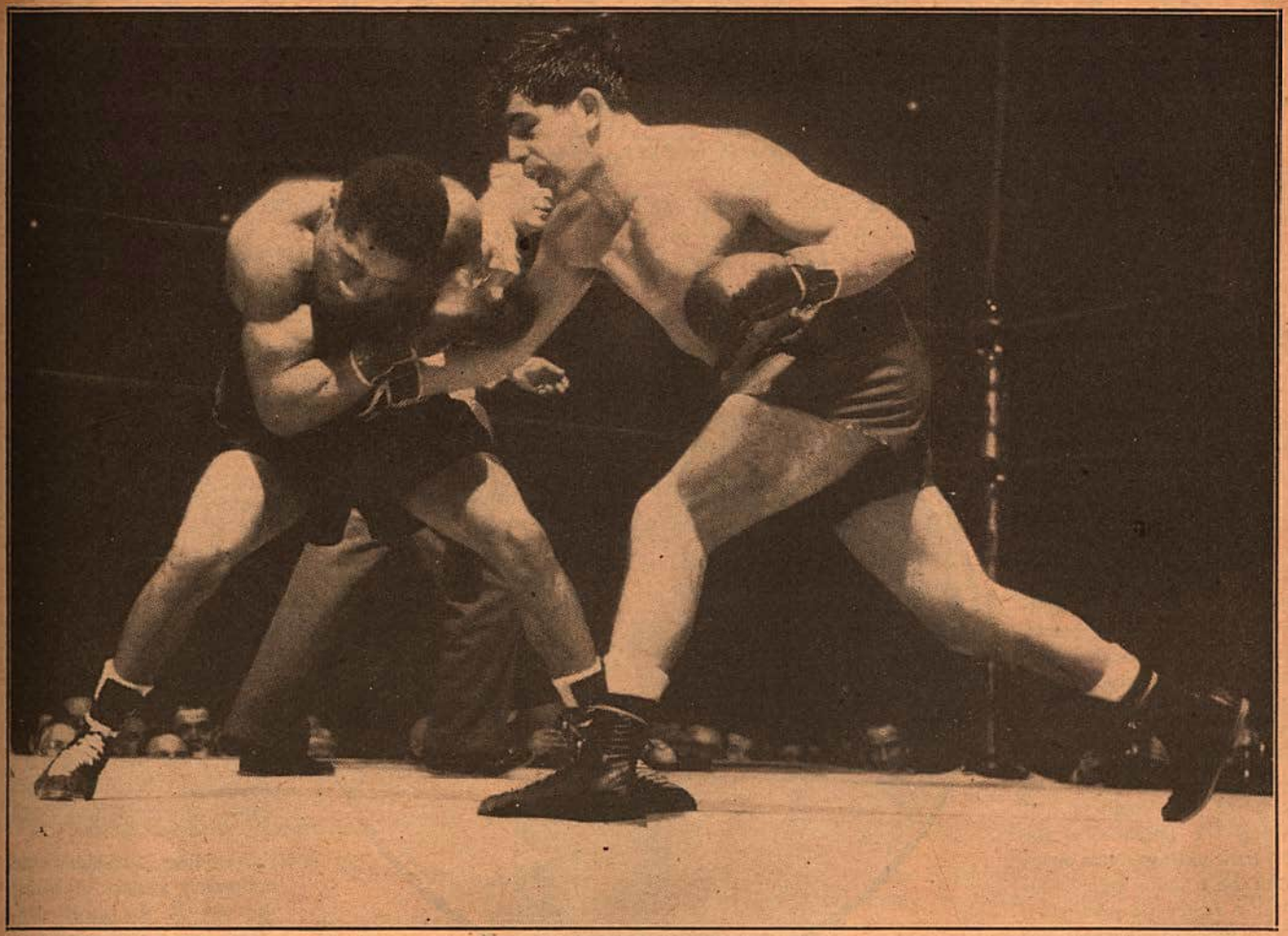
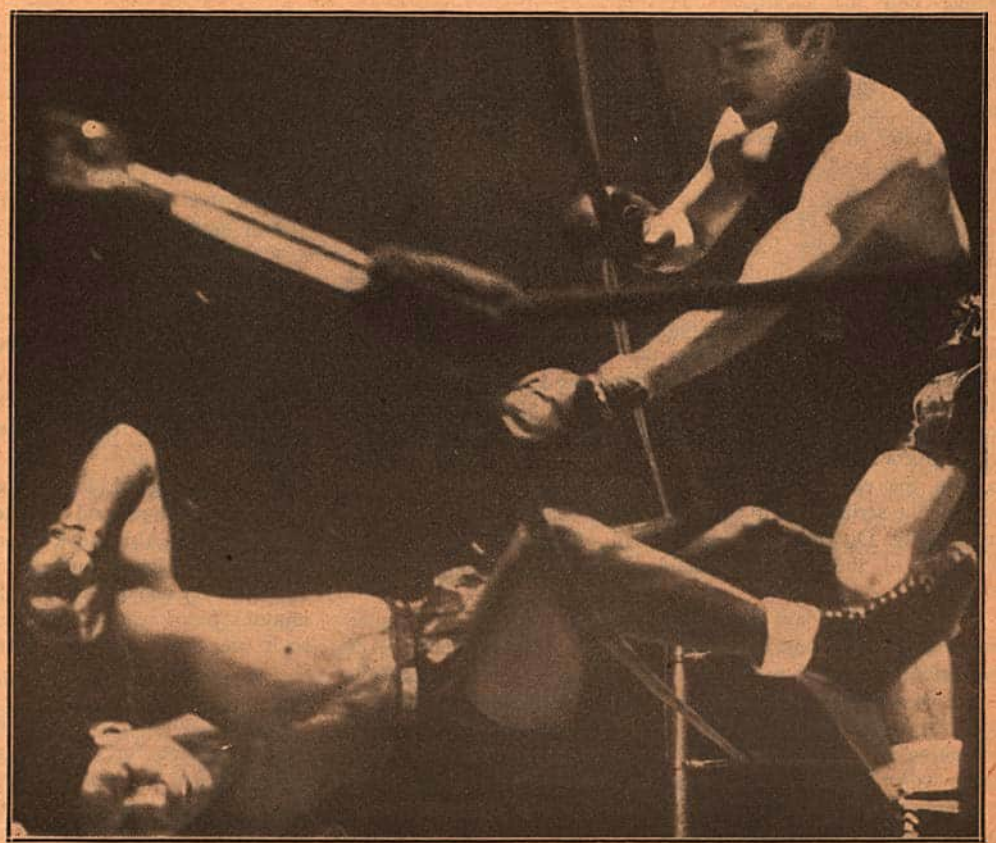


A scene in the Greco-Jack fight, in which both men wilted after five blistering rounds. Here we see Beau Jack wince as a right lands in his mid-section. Jack's performance was far off form. He lacked the fiery spirit he has displayed in previous contests. The fans, who paid as high as $20 for a seat, razzed both fighters for their mediocre display.



Baby Al Brown of Panama, a welterweight, who found the going too tough in the Garden when he clashed with Julio Jiminez. Here he is seen taking a count outside the ropes. Brown came to New York with an excellent record. He is handled by Eddie Walker.

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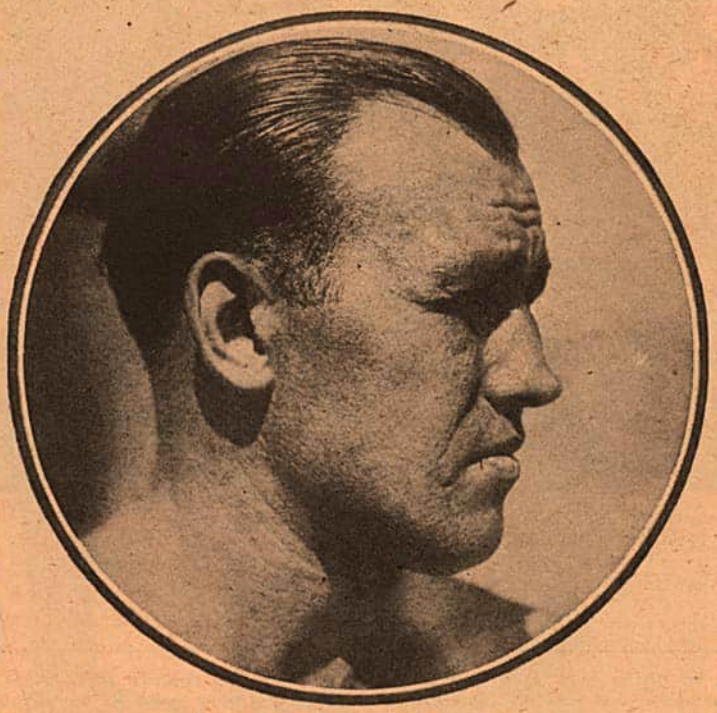
They Go Hand-In-Hand at Training Camps—Electric Chair, Shower Bath, Phony Long Distance 'Phone Calls, Buzzer Handshake Among the "Playful" Tricks Perpetrated on the Unsuspecting

By NAT FLEISCHER

THE Louis-Conn fight ballyhoo is under way. The drums have begun to beat, and from now, until the day of the return engagement, there will be no let-up. The date of the fight has been set, June 19, and the place, the Yankee Stadium. The home of the Yankee ballplayers, with its additional seating arrangements, will be able to accommodate 100,000. From present indications every seat in the gigantic arena will be filled. Thousands of fight fans will come to the scene from all parts of the country, and during the preparation for this fistic extravaganza, news from the training camps will occupy reams of newsprint. Every move of the rivals will be reported.



Jack Sharkey who was first to make use of the fire-cracker cigar and the charged box.

Human interest stories will be broadcast. Training camp pranks will be headlined. The public will be appraised of everything that takes place. Nothing will be left undone by the ballyhoo brigade to keep up the general interest and to sell the fight to the public, though this is one contest that doesn't require much ballyhoo.

This being the first post-war heavyweight championship bout, it is safe to predict that four hundred or more boxing experts representing every news agency and newspaper of importance in the world, will be on hand to cover the camps and the fight. The record coverage for a bout was set at Miami when Jack Sharkey and Young Stribling fought with Jack Dempsey acting as chief aide to Madison Square Garden in staging the event.

The fight was put on following the death of Tex Rickard and in order to make a success of the affair, Bill Carey, acting head of the House that Tex Built, hired the George Washington Hotel, the Drake Hotel and Fisher's Mansion at Miami Beach to house the scribes. Steve Hannigan, America's foremost public relations counsel, and I were in charge of the publicity. Steve handled the radio and public contacts, while my job was to care for the scribes and to turn loose news concerning the training camp, daily. On that occasion we had 448 newspapermen from all parts of the world on hand, a record unequalled before or since.

Those were the days when bootleg liquor was the only liquor that could be had, and the bill for that, to whet the appetites of the scribes amounted to $32,000. The total amount spent during the seven weeks of preparation at Miami Beach was $137,000, the most costly training camp venture ever recorded.

With very few exceptions, every newspaperman and photographer covering the camps, was the guest of Bill Carey. The men were housed and fed at the hotels leased by the Garden with the writer in personal charge of all hands.

There, as in other camps for many years previously, the usual capers were in evidence and camp clowning was at its height. The water bucket placed over the transom; the late telephone call from New York that would get a man out of a sound sleep to answer a dead wire; placing limburger cheese under the mattress of a newly arrived guest; delivering phoney important rush telegrams to the unsuspecting reporter—these and numerous other "jokes" were played. There never was and never will be another such jaunt as the Miami Beach affair.

Training camp pranks are as much a part of boxing history as the sport itself. Here are a few recalled by this scribe:

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JACK SHARKEY and Max Schmeling were in training. I was sitting in the dining room of Gus Wilson's spacious quarters with about a dozen other newspapermen, some of whom were interviewing Sharkey. The greetings and the interview were over and the scribes started for the bar. A late comer from Boston greeted Sharkey.

"Hello, Doc, when did you get here?" Jack said to Mr. Almy, a veteran sports editor from *The Post*. "Have a cigar."

And with that, he removed three cigars from his coat pocket, and offered them.

Doc Almy accepted a cigar and a box of matches, and as he opened the box into his face flew the entire lot and scared the veteran scribe almost into a faint. The boys roared with laughter. Doc recovered his equilibrium, smiled at the joke and remarked:

"I should have known there was something fishy about these matches, because it isn't in you to give up a full box without a fight."

Sharkey laughed, walked away in order not to attract any further attention, and awaited further developments. A few minutes later, Almy took a match out of his own pocket, and lit the cigar. He began puffing and within a few seconds there was an explosion and poor Doc's face turned white. Twice in a few minutes Sharkey's pranks were played on the same man—and so it was throughout that afternoon.

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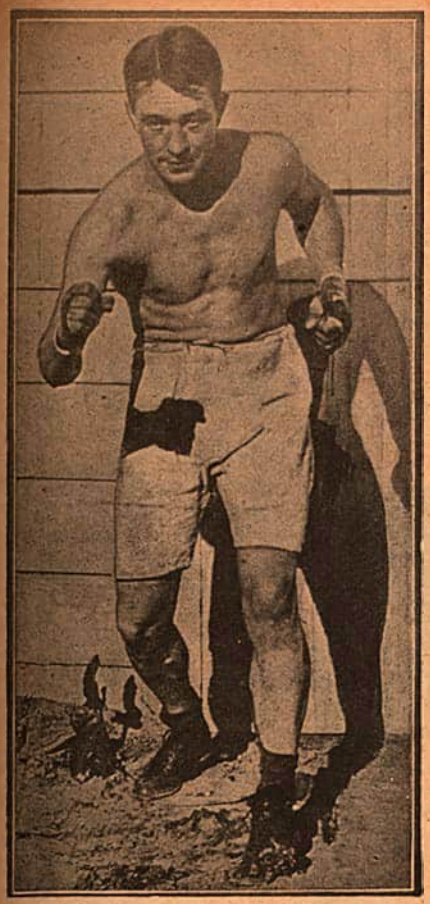
AT Endicott, New York, where Schmeling was doing his training for the bout with Sharkey, the same procedure was carried out day after day. There Schmeling, having learned his stuff from Pete Reilly, the fun maker of the camp, saw to it that the boys "fared" as well at his place as up at Sharkey's.



Stanley Ketchel, the snipe-trail inventor.

I dare say without fear of contradiction that most modern inventions, in the way of comic didoes around training camps belongs to the fruitful brain of Reilly. He has a quaint sense of humor, not often appreciated by those on whom he tries his tricks.

Stanley Ketchel had a weird sense of humor. When he was training for his fights at Woodlawn, New York, his greatest delight was in luring sparring partners and other camp hangers-on out in the woods for the well-known snipe hunt. Perhaps some of our readers do not know what a snipe hunt is. Kind reader, beware!

Make certain that before you go snipe hunting you know before your start on this adventure who your companions are. Usually Stanley Ketchel would take for his companion the most talkative chap at the training table. He would nod and wink to the boys and then politely ask his companion if he would join him on the morrow in a little hunt.

What a silly query! The honor of supping with the great Assassin was glory in itself, but to stalk the woods in Ketchel's company at night for the elusive snipe was an experience he would always cherish. Or so he thought!

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THE NEXT DAY, dinner over, the great hunt was on. A lone miner's lantern was the only means of finding the trail through the woods. The victim was provided with a potato sack. Into this sack Ketchel and the out scouts proposed to drive the wary snipe. A snipe potpie was to be the culmination of the hunt and the victim was told that he must not permit the snipe to pass him on the trail once Ketchel and his aides started off the birds. A snipe, he was told, would never change his course after starting down the trail.

The snipe trail was found after a long shin-scratching jaunt through the briars.

"Now you remain here, and keep the mouth of the bag open right in the middle of the path," said Ketchel. "The snipe will see the hole and run right into it. You just can't miss them. From the chirping that is now going on in the brush, there should be several dozen of them on the 'loose' tonight. Mind now, remain on guard, keep that bag wide open and keep your eyes open. Be on the alert!" Ketchel would then pick up the lantern and go off with the others, leaving his companion snipe-snarer holding the bag. And holding it he certainly was!

Ketchel and his companions would go back to the inn by a round-about way and start a card game lasting until midnight. Then Ketchel in a sympathetic tone would remark that it was about time that the poor sap in the woods was relieved of his burden. But instead of going back for him, they would laugh it off and retire for the night letting the chap in the wilds find his own way out of his predicament.

NEVER would Stanley or his pals relieve the victim. The sniper would come to the inn during the wee small hours of the morning, and find it closed for the night. Those gloomy darkened windows seemed to laugh down at him to tell him that he had been kidded. Usually Ketchel and his companions would never again hear about the hunter, and that was one sure way of eliminating the pest from the camp. Occasionally, however, there would be some persistent cuss who would come back the next day and seek out the great middleweight.

In the latter case, the victim would lament his ill fortune only to get a bawling out from Stanley for apparently "disobeying" his orders and Ketchel would tell him that, because of his negligence in not doing as he was told, the hunters lost all the snipe. And that evening immediately following dinner, out on the trail again would go the fighter and his pals to give the pest another little "ride."

Ketchel also was a very "playful" fellow when disturbed from an afternoon nap. He carried a trusty "forty-four" about him and thought it a huge joke to fire away on his disturbers. One afternoon the boys played a prank on him and sent Pete "the Goat" Stone, who later became one of Primo Carnera's managers, to awaken him for a message of "importance!" Ketchel took the gun from under his pillow and while Pete was pounding at the door for admission, fired two shots, and one of the bullets lodged in Stone's ankle.

Quite playful, indeed, was Stanley Ketchel!

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CAN you picture the uproarious Sullivan or the dignified Jim Corbett riding a bull around a pasture, milking a cow, racing a greyhound, sparring with a midget, chopping down a tree, pitching a load of hay or grabbing a babe from the arms of its mother to satisfy the unending demands of numerous photographers for training camp stunts?

Yet those are only a few of the many capers which Schmeling, Paulino, Max Baer, Jimmy Braddock, Tommy Farr were forced to go through daily while training for fights of importance. The modern heavyweight must not only do what he is told and like it, or pretend to like it, but also finds it necessary to follow the leader in the manner of pranks.

In the old days a training camp was regarded as a place where the fighter went to get himself into perfect condition and only that. But not so today. The training camp of today is a high-powered hokum factory where the gladiator is lucky if he finds time to go through the regulation training gestures in odd moments when not being put through his paces by newspapermen and photographers or dodging the capers of the camp fun-makers.

Both fighters and the public in recent years have been educated to the "whoopee" method of training. On one occasion Tex Rickard took about twenty newspapermen out to Jack Dempsey's camp for the purpose of ballyhooing the show and the very first thing that Dempsey did after greeting Tex, was to walk behind him while Rickard was engaging in conversation with Jack Kearns and placing two matches in the sole of his shoe, Jack lit them and walked away.

The scribes all got beyond reach of Tex's cane and then stood in the corner of the room waiting for developments.

Down and down, nearer the leather burned the matches and then suddenly, accompanied by a yell, Rickard leaped off the chair into the air, at the same time swinging his cane viciously. Doc Kearns was on to the joke and he ducked in the nick of time. It took several minutes before anyone could approach Rickard again. He was as angry as I had ever seen him.

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ON ANOTHER occasion, accompanying Mike Jacobs to Schmeling's training camp at Lake Swananoa, New Jersey, was a party of newspapermen from various parts of the country and several managers and included among them was Pete Reilly. "Dare Devil" Pete had brought with him in his car a large chunk of limburger cheese and when we reached the Lake, the fun began.

Into the large dining room went the scribes for an unusual feast of steamed clams and lobster. Reilly, instead of sitting with the

Battling Nelson who pulled the "Haunted House" stunt.

then cutting that cheese into chunks he continued his work until he had only one piece left and that he reserved for Schmeling.

Within ten minutes the room was unfit to sit in. Every now and then another scribe would jump up from the table and go hunting for Reilly. And thus the luncheon for which more than a hundred dollars was paid, proved a sad affair for some and hilarious for others.

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BUT Pete Reilly was not satisfied and decided to go a step further. Purchasing some more limburger, he went to the automobile parking space, opened the hoods of cars belonging to three newspapermen and put a chunk of cheese on the motor. Then he smeared limburger on the steering wheel of each car and wound up by placing some under the back seat.

Before leaving the cars, Pete shut all windows. Without knowing it, he had selected as one of his victims, Mike Jacobs, and when Mike, after training was over, took some newspaper boys to his car for the trip back, he found that not only could he not stand the odor but that none of the boys would ride with him.

After Mike had his chauffeur clean the car out on the road, we sped back to New York. Hitting a speed of 65 miles, the motor was quickly warmed up and within a few moments we were suffocating. The car was stopped and Mike's Negro driver opened the hood and there we found that the heat had melted the limburger and spread it all over the engine. The car had to be sent in for a thorough over-hauling.

What happened to the automobiles of the other two newspapermen we never heard, but when we returned to New York everybody went hunting for Pete Reilly and for more than a week Pete failed to appear at his usual haunts.

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OUT IN Chicago about two hundred newspapermen were gathered at the Hotel Morrison. They had come from all parts of America and abroad to report the Louis-Braddock fight. I was handling the radio ballyhoo and the Movietone arrangements. Joe Gould, manager of Braddock, had just arrived and he carried a cigar box as he came in and greeted me.

boys, went the rounds from table to table, ostensibly to discuss the fight and the odds with them and before leaving each table, he picked one scribe and dropped into his pocket a piece of the cheese. When he got rid of all he had, he induced the chef to give him a half of a Camembert and

"Nat," he said, "do you know where Mike Jacobs is?"

"I left him a while ago. He'll be back in about an hour," I replied.

"Well, I can't wait. Will you give him this box of cigars he asked me to buy for him?"

I took the box and in squeezing the cover, I received such a powerful shock that I jumped with pain. I tried to drop the box but the more firm my grip, the stronger was the shock and it was not until Gould pushed the box from my hand, that I recovered. In that box was a strong battery carrying enough electricity to hurl one off a chair.

The scribes roared with laughter at my discomfiture and in the afternoon that same prank was played at Braddock's training camp on Max Roesch, Jim's leading sparring mate, who fell for it when informed that the cigars had been sent to him by a southern admirer.

Pete Reilly, who put the carnival spirit into the training camps.

Joe Gould also had a little improvement on the "electric chair" invention of Pete Reilly. Gould attached a box containing four batteries under the seat of a chair. Then he attached the wires to the arm of the chair from whence the shock was transferred to the occupant. At times so powerful was the current that the chair felt like the "real thing."

This caper was first tried out at the Schmeling camp in Lakewood, New Jersey, and later had its place at every camp of importance that I have attended.

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BOB FITZSIMMONS was a great one for rigging up uninvited shower baths on his friends. He would fashion a water bucket over a doorway and attach the door to the bucket in such a manner that anyone who entered would get a couple of gallons of water over his head.

Both Fitzsimmons and Pete Reilly had a playful way of building a bonfire under a snoozing visitor. In the case of Fitz, he would cover the visitor's head with a pillow slip and then would yell "Fire" at the top of his lungs into the sleeper's ear. Naturally coming up out of dreamland, the drowsy one, smelling smoke and sensing heat, would make frantic efforts to get his bearings and pull wildly at the sack while Fitz rolled on the floor with laughter.

We were up in Endicott, New York, one day to watch a performance of Schmeling who was then in training for his fight with Paulino. Just before the boys went out to camp, Pete Reilly entered the press room and seeing one of the scribes asleep in an arm chair, he lit a newspaper and placed it beneath the sleeper, planning to pull the paper from beneath the chair after he had simply heated the seat. One of the boys opened the door and the breeze quickly fanned the flame and the chair caught fire.

On another occasion that same stunt was tried in the lobby of the hotel and the prank proved extremely costly. It set the sitting room on fire and it required considerable effort on the part of the local fire force to keep the flames from spreading beyond that room.

BATTLING NELSON was a great one for pulling the "Haunted House" stunt. He, like Ketchel, would get rid of pests in a most unusual manner. There was an unoccupied house about a mile away from his camp and the fight followers called it the "Haunted House." Nelson would talk about that house in a casual manner with the objectionable visitor, would get him deeply interested and then tell him that it required downright courage for anyone to approach the house.

In the end, the whole camp would decide to go ghost-hunting after dark just to prove their bravery, with Nelson of course as the ringleader and the victim as the sap. Everybody would be armed with a shotgun except the one on whom the prank was being played.

Nelson would take a double-barrelled shotgun and vowed that if a ghost came toward him he would blaze away. All would approach the house breathlessly, with Nelson in the lead, he walking cautiously at the head of the column. The victim would be right behind him, his heart beating at a mile a minute clip. Nelson would see to it that the guest would get his share of the fear by keeping him in a state of anxiety from the very start and in a short time he had the victim's knees knocking together so he could hardly walk.

Bat would halt to listen for spook groans. There always are in one of these ghost hunts, and as the house was approached, Bat held up his hand, halted the column and motioned for silence.

The yowling that came from that old tumble-down mansion was enough to make the heartiest tremble with fear. Then a tiny light seemed to flick from room to room until it disappeared in an upper level of the house.

The victim's skin went goose pimples. He was shaking like a leaf. Then from the tree which covered the upper porch came a strange fuzzy image in white right through the air. It floated so it seemed, in empty space right at the hunters.

Nelson, shotgun aimed, let fly, but the strange, illuminated wisp of white never faltered. It seemed to settle towards the earth and Nelson turned with a second barrel and at the same time as he cut loose, he issued a sharp command to run for cover.

Back to the camp all hands ran. The victim raced at a mile a minute clip down the road while the rest of the boys were breaking their sides with laughter. The "ghost" had been attached to a wire on the tree and the wire when released caused him to topple to the ground supposedly scaring all hands, but in reality only the victim.

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THOSE are only a few of the many strange stories that might be told about the carnival spirit that prevails at the modern training camps. Pranks and ballyhoo go hand in hand.

"Long distance" telephone calls usually keep scribes and fighters busy at a modern camp. Sometimes the prank takes place before bedtime but most often, long after the period of rest has begun, usually well past midnight.

Thus at Long Branch, where Tommy Farr was in training, several such jokes were pulled off on foreign newspapermen. The first day that Farr arrived in camp, one of the reporters, standing in a booth a few feet from Tommy, put in a "long distance" call for the British heavyweight king. When Tom came to the phone, the scribe, shouting across the wires, said:

"Is this you, Tommy Farr, this is England. It is the office of the *Express*. Is the report we received here true, that you punched Ted Broadribb in the nose this morning?"

And Tommy, riled beyond words, loudly replied: "It's a damnable lie. We've had our spats, but I don't understand who's giving out those crazy stories. I'll sue for libel if you publish it."

And while Tommy was still trying to explain, the scribe hung up, and pressed close to where Farr was telephoning, fuming with anger.

"What's wrong, Tommy?" then asked the reporter, Jimmy Cannon by name.

"I don't know who the silly ass is who is sending such stories home. Someone from the *Express* just called me from London and wanted to know about my fight with Broadribb this morning. He got a story that I punched Ted in the nose, and here Ted and I were spending the morning together at Mike Jacobs' home."

Farr was so upset that he took it out on his sparring mates a half hour later when the afternoon's sparring began.

This same Cannon, who during the last war was on the staff of the *Stars and Stripes*, a "night hawk" who usually got to bed at a training camp when others were getting up, played a beauty on me at the Louis-Braddock camp. I had made four appearances at radio stations and returned to the hotel at one in the morning, tired after a hard day's work. About four o'clock, I was awakened by a telephone call.

"Is this you, Mr. Fleischer?"

"Yes," I replied, "what is it?"

"This is the National Broadcasting Station. We just received word from New York that we must put on a British broadcast from our local headquarters at 5:30 this morning and we cannot locate Clem McCarthy. We hate to trouble you at this time of the night, but would appreciate it if you will help us out of a predicament by helping us by preparing the program and doing the announcing."

Then he went on to tell me that Dan Parker, Grantland Rice, Sid Mercer, Joe Williams and Bill Corum—all famous American scribes, would be on the air with me and naturally, I disliked to turn him down.

"I've got a busy day ahead of me," I replied, "and wish you could get Clem or some one else to do the job, but if you can't succeed by 5 o'clock, give me another ring and I'll be there."

Twenty minutes later I received another call. The "N.B.C." again was asking that I come over. This time, said the voice, "We called up Trevor Wignall, he being the last fellow with whom McCarthy was seen at dinner last night, but he says he left Clem two hours ago and doesn't know where he went. Please come to the studios!"

It had been raining pitchforks that night and I hated to leave my bed, but I quickly dressed, shaved and started for the N.B.C. studios when a third call came in, informing me that Wignall had located McCarthy, and that both were on their way and my services would not be required.

At seven in the morning I went down to breakfast and there was Mike Jacobs standing in the lobby. I told him what had happened and I was furious about the whole affair. Within a few minutes Jimmy Cannon came into the dining room and I told him my story. He laughed as he remarked:

"Gee, they could have gotten me. I was in the lobby all night. We had a swell time here!" And then it dawned upon me that a trick had been played.

I said nothing more until a few hours later, when I found that half a dozen scribes had been awakened, some with phony calls from their sports desks in New York asking for a special story on a big baseball trade; others by their managing editors, asking them to get in touch with the chief of police for a story on a strike-clubbing.

Caswell Adams of the *Tribune* was routed out of his bed with the information from the "night watchman" that there was a fire on his floor and he had better leave his room by way of the back stairway. Poor Caswell, we learned, tossed his raincoat over him, made a beeline for the stairs, only to bump into the real watchman who wanted to know what the trouble was, and then assured him there was no fire.

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CASWELL had often played such pranks on others and this was one time when he got a taste of his own medicine. Adams, who is a splendid radio announcer on football and boxing, on that same trip, played a hoax on one of the British scribes, whose pride I won't hurt by mentioning his name.

This British newspaperman had been on the air with me a few hours previously in an interview on British fighters and when he returned to the hotel, a phony microphone was rigged up in the press room. At a given signal, the Britisher was brought into the room to listen to some of the Americans broadcasting to England on a "short wave."

Then as the last speaker, who happened to be Mr. Adams, was about to leave the "mike," I took

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LOUIS *in* 3 ROUNDS

That's the Prediction of Jimmy Johnston in Discussing Coming Heavyweight Championship Bout—Thinks Brown Bomber Is a Cinch

By IRVING RUDD

JOE LOUIS is a cinch to flatten Billy Conn in three heats when the Pittsburgh Irishman and the Brown Bomber collide in their return title go on Wednesday evening, June 19.

The authority for this is none other than the dynamic James J. Johnston, who at 71 is still one of the keenest judges of fighting flesh and things fistic.

"I once thought the fight would go five rounds," Johnston declared, as he ushered THE RING correspondent into his offices, "but after taking a lot of things into consideration, I now feel Louis will belt Conn out quickly."

Johnston, his usual dapper, cocky self, sat in his shirt sleeves, surrounded by numerous framed, autographed photos of many famed citizens in all walks of life. Also prominently displayed were huge posters proclaiming to the world at large that Archie Moore and Al Hoosman were the best light-heavyweight and heavyweight contenders, respectively. Jimmy leaned back in his swivel chair and, in his inimitable conversational style, began to amplify his earlier statement.

"Louis, without a doubt," began Johnston, "will come into the ring against Conn in far better condition than Billy. Many people, for some reason or other, do not seem to realize how very important was Joe Louis' exhibition tour during his Army career. Louis aside from his brief spell in the Ford factory, has known no other business than boxing. So, as a good business man, he kept his hand in his trade at every opportunity.

"He boxed everywhere against anyone," Jimmy explained. "True, his routine was not as tough and strenuous as it would have been under proper supervision, but on the whole Louis did one great thing for himself—he did not grow ring rusty.

"As for William," Johnston grinned, "he never was one who loved training. Luckily, Billy has one of the greatest managers in Johnny Ray and he listens to him always, but unfortunately, Johnny was not in Europe with Conn, and from what I understand, Mr. Conn was not exactly an outstanding example of how a boxer should keep in shape.

"Louis' mental attitude right now is far better than Conn's," he continued. "Joe is serious and determined. I think he would like very much to retire as undefeated heavyweight champion of the world. This would mean a permanent prestige that would aid him in business ventures and other contacts as long as he lived.

"Conn, on the other hand, is more emotional and imaginative. Right now he probably doesn't realize it, but once he starts to go through the wringer in training camp and see how far off his real form he is, he's going to worry and do a lot of thinking, which will not do him any good."

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AS Johnston paused, a query was sneaked in edgewise.

"What does each man have to guard against when they face each other on June 19?"

"Conn," Jimmy replied, "will have to beware of Louis' left hook. It's dynamite. That's just what licked my Bob Pastor in their second fight. Bob got conked early, if you remember, and never really shook off the effects of those left hooks Louis threw at him in the first two rounds. That's about the only problem facing Conn when he comes out of his corner at the opening bell.

"What does Joe have to guard against?" he mused as he repeated the next question. "Not a darn thing!

"I don't see how in the world Conn can ever get into the shape he was in during their first fight," James Joy emphatically stated. "I also don't see how Billy can acquire a punch he never had, especially in view of the fact that he's done little training or boxing for four years.

"If Conn gets down to 180 or perhaps a bit lower, he will have accomplished nothing, but the fact that he has lost a lot of fat. The speed, stamina and endurance will be sadly lacking.

"As for a punch," Johnston snorted, "he positively won't have one the night he fights Joe Louis, unless Billy Conn can perform some unheard of miracle—and the last miracle, young man, occurred when God created Man in His Own Image!

"You'll find that," said the incredible little fistic mogul, "in Genesis, chapter one in the Bible."

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"WHAT sort of training routine would you outline for each man if you were handling Louis or Conn?" Johnston was then asked.

Jimmy removed his glasses, swiveled slowly toward the window facing Broadway and watched the snail-like traffic from the fifteenth floor. Facing forward again, he rubbed his hands over his eyes, then pondered for another moment.

"Well," he began, "if I had Conn I'd take him up to camp about three months before the fight. For about a month, Billy would do nothing but relax. I'd put him on a proper diet, and make sure his stomach is eventually freed of the accumulated slop of four years.

"Then for two months prior to the scrap, I'd have Conn stick to roadwork only. However, there'd be no running. Instead, twice a day for a total of twenty miles, Sweet William would be made to walk uphill. We'd pitch camp near the most rugged terrain possible and Mr. Conn would be forced to concentrate on this specialized roadwork only. This walking routine over hill and dale would represent the only chance for Billy to gain back some endurance, ruggedness, and stamina which he will undoubtedly need for a tough fight.

"Conn would then begin gym work only a month before June 19. I'd give him only three weeks of boxing, and then lay him off one week before the Louis fight so that he wouldn't get stale and leave the bout in the gym.

"I'd hire five sparring partners," Johnston continued, "and make Conn box ten rounds a day. This, with an hour of general gym work, and a few short sprints for a few mornings, would be enough for Billy. I'd get the best punchers in the business to box with Conn, regardless of cost. If possible, I'd try to engage established star bout fighters to work in camp with money no object. With a title at stake, nothing must be spared.

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"NOW, if Billy Conn follows a plan anywhere near what I have outlined, I'll take back what I had to say before," Jimmy stated. "What's the use of kidding? Conn does not like to train; he will not be too anxious to work hard if he can get away with it, and I'll repeat once more that Louis'll knock him dead!

"There'll be no problem getting Louis ready for the fight," said Johnston in discussing the conditioning of the Brown Bomber.

"I'd hire the fastest boxers around. I'd even bring a couple of welterweights and middleweights into camp to speed Joe up. His punching would take care of itself. All I'd be interested in is that Louis box with fast-stepping guys who are on the move constantly.

"Louis' problem of obtaining fast men to spar with him is lots easier than Conn will have in getting punchers," Jimmy pointed out. "After all, how many

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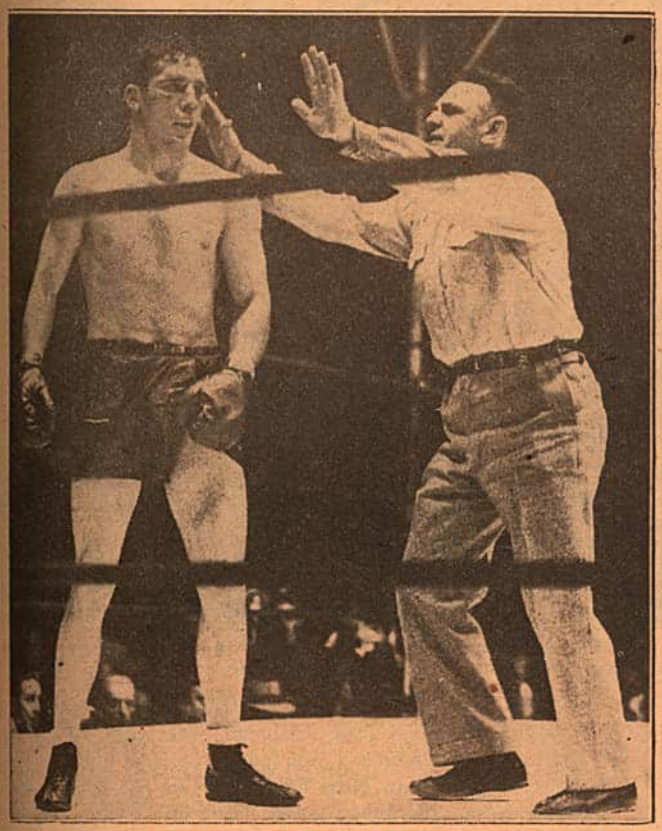
Who Will Get the Rich Plum?

New York Referee in Charge of Louis-Conn Fight on June 19 Will Receive a Handsome Reward for His Services—Fee Is Based on Attendance and Gross Receipts

By THE OBSERVER



Referee Joseph, who handled the first Louis-Conn mill, is here seen after he had counted Billy out.

THE great heavyweight championship contest between Joe Louis and Billy Conn at the Yankee Stadium on June 19 is still three months in the offing, but the fever pitch to which fight fandom has been aroused is unparalleled in the history of Fistiana.

Already Mike Jacobs' efficient office staff has been flooded with requests for seats of all price denominations. Each day the mail at THE RING Editorial offices brings at least a dozen demands for ducats which Editor Nat Fleischer smilingly forwards to the Twentieth Century offices.

Both gladiators have begun serious training, eager to be in good condition for this all-important match whose attendance figures will undoubtedly dwarf the record set by Tunney and Dempsey at Chicago.

Speculation is rampant. Will Louis and Conn be in tip-top shape? Can Conn step around as fast as he did in prewar days? Does Louis possess the old wallop? "Didja read where Dempsey says?" . . . "Well, Tunney thinks." . . . "But Louis himself told a newspaperman that . . ."

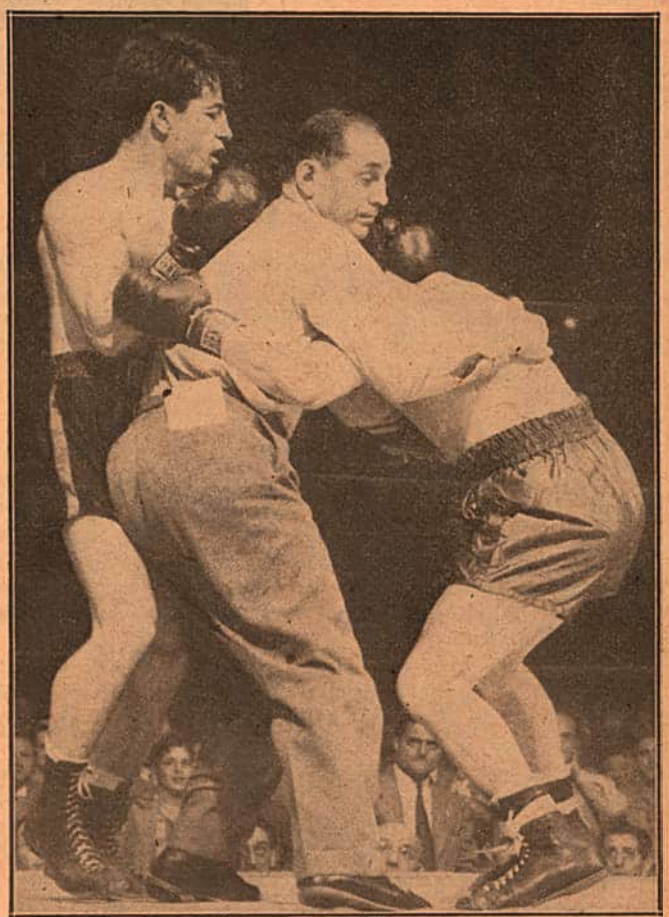
And so it goes. While all of the foregoing angles outlined are of prime interest, and make for reams of publicity copy which will eventually make the turnstiles dance a merry tune, a most important factor has been overlooked in all of the early pre-fight dope. Who will be the referee when Louis and Conn come to the center of the ring for their instructions on that eventful night of June 19?

THE New York Boxing Commission carries on its referee roster some of the best officials in America. The Empire State arbiters compare most favorably with the referees of any other state, and in the majority of cases, man for man, rate far above most referees in other sections of the country.

The outstanding officials in New York State are Arthur Donovan, Ruby Goldstein, Eddie Joseph, Billy Cavanagh, Benny Leonard and Frank Fullam. The position of referee in the Louis-Conn classic will be one of great responsibility. Any kind of break or advantage may very well turn the tide of battle for either contestant.

The arbiter of so important a bout, with the world's heavyweight crown at stake, must be one who knows his boxing rules from A to Z. He must be a cool-headed, quick-thinking individual who has the courage to handle any and all situations with firmness while he guards against infractions of the rules.

Impartiality in a referee is a most important factor. The man selected by the Commission must be one who has no axes to grind and shows no favoritism. The referees mentioned above



Ruby Goldstein in a recent scene in the Garden in bout between Graziano and Green. Ruby is recognized by the boxing experts as one of the three outstanding referees in New York. They come no better.

are all thoroughly experienced officials with wide and varied backgrounds in pugilism, not only from the standpoint of officiating, but as ex-boxers with first-hand knowledge of what a boxer expects from a good referee.

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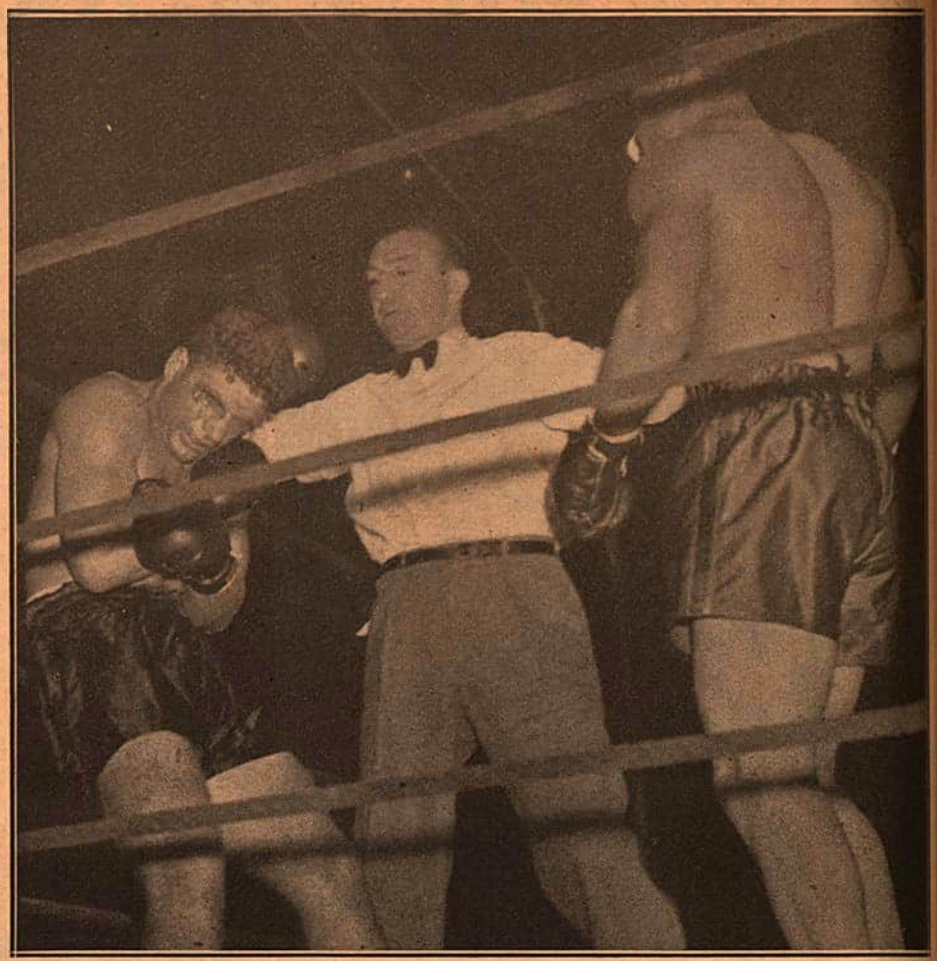
THE man who has officiated at more championship bouts in America than any other referee, is Arthur Donovan. A check of THE RING *Record Book* shows that of the twenty-one times Joe Louis defended his heavyweight title, Donovan worked ten bouts! Arthur also refereed the night Carnera won the title from Jack Sharkey via the knockout route, and it was Donovan who also saved Satchelfeet from further punishment at the hands of Max Baer, when the Livermore Larruper took the bauble from Primo.

Donovan is a respected and thoroughly tried and tested referee, of whom nothing but the best can be said. His recent trip for the government to the Aleutians and the South Pacific where he was the arbiter in countless servicemen boxing tournaments, have kept Donovan in prime refereeing condition.

Joseph, Cavanagh and Fullam have also had experience refereeing a world's heavyweight championship fight.



Arthur Donovan, the man who has officiated in most of Louis' title bouts, is here seen in the role of arbiter in the Louis-Nova battle.

Eddie Joseph, as everyone knows, is the capable referee who counted out Billy Conn on that unforgettable night of June 18, 1941, when the Pittsburgh Irishman had the championship within his grasp. Eddie had Billy out in front, seven rounds to five on his scorecard.

A Staten Islander by residence, Joseph has entertained the wounded men at Halloran and other service hospitals with tales of his experiences as a referee. Eddie also handled the very last official boxing bout which Joe Louis engaged in; the one with Big Abe Simon on March 27, 1942.

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BILLY CAVANAGH, for many years boxing coach at West Point Military Academy, refereed the second Louis-Godoy contest, stopping the fray in the eighth round after the Brown Bomber had made a bloody mess of Godoy's features. Billy is a thoroughly seasoned official who has handled numerous other matches of importance. Cavanagh is definitely boss of the ring and controls the fight at all times without interfering with the contestants.

A recent case in point concerns the Fritzie Zivic-Freddie Archer battle fought at the St. Nicholas Arena last year. The wily old Zivic, fighting only with head and heart, took advantage of every opportunity that presented itself.

Midway in the second round the cute Croat pulled his favorite trick. He grabbed Archer around the back of the neck with his left hand, pulled him forward, and began to belabor the Jersey battler with his free right mitt. A thumb or two became involved, and the infuriated Freddie retaliated with two stiff butts in billy-goat fashion.

The round ended, but in the next frame, as Zivic was forced against the ropes, he somehow maneuvered his laces into Archer's physiognomy. Freddie's reply once again was a series of butts to Zivic's noggin. The fans were wild, the house grew tense, and a foul-fighting fiasco and riot seemed imminent.

Cavanagh, the tough little Irishman, intervened. "I'll throw you both out and recommend your purses be held up if you don't stop these shennanigans. Now fight clean; or it's out you go!"

Needless to say, the fight resolved itself into a clean, earnestly fought boxing contest, brought completely under control via the firmness of Billy Cavanagh. Yes, Billy stacks up as a good potential choice for the Louis-Conn plum in June.

The clean-cut assistant boxing instructor of the famed New York Athletic Club, Frankie Fullam, an ex-boxer in the early 1930's, has refereed two heavyweight championship tilts. On January 31, 1941, Fullam refereed the Joe Louis-Red Burman contest in which the Brown Bomber knocked out the game Baltimore redhead in the fifth round.

An oddity of that fight was the fact that Fullam eight years previously had defeated Burman when both were middleweights! Fullam also handled the bout between Joe Louis and Buddy Baer on January 9, 1942, the night Joe knocked out Buddy in one round for Navy Relief.

Fullam was third man in the ring when Billy Conn whipped Melio Bettina to cop the light-heavyweight crown. Another title fight was the Sixto Escobar-Harry Jeffra bout in New York. Fullam has also officiated at many other important Madison Square Garden main events.

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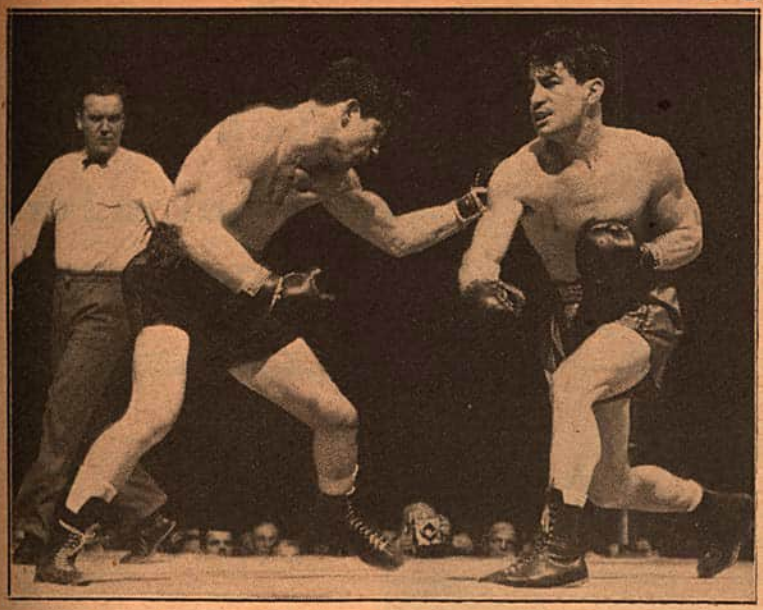
WHEN discussing capable referees, one must not overlook Benny Leonard, retired undefeated lightweight champion, whose fine work in New York rings has begun to overshadow his brilliant performances as a boxer. Leonard worked the recent second match between Willie Joyce and Allie Stolz, a minor lightweight classic, and his deft handling of these two gladiators who fought at close range toe-to-toe throughout the entire ten rounds, earned plenty of praise for Benny.

A little known fact is that Leonard actually began his career as a referee in the first World War! As a boxing instructor at



Frank Fullam, New York A.C. instructor, who was third man in the ring in the Louis-Buddy Baer, Louis-Burman and Conn-Bettina fights, is here seen in the Graziano-Green tilt.

Camp Upton, Leonard then a newly-crowned lightweight champion, refereed thousands of soldier bouts at the Long Island Army post. After he retired in 1926, Leonard toured the country filling dates as a guest referee. His career as an arbiter was interrupted by his comeback, but late in 1933 Leonard became a one-man ambassador for the boxing profession. Benny has refereed in many cities.

During the war he served in the Maritime Service where he rose to the rank of Commander. Each week at the Merchant Marine Base at Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, Leonard staged a boxing show for the lads in his outfit and personally refereed each card.

Leonard's first championship assignment was the Tony Zale-Al Hostak N.B.A. middleweight title bout at Seattle, Washington.

Benny has also worked in bouts featuring Henry Armstrong, Beau Jack, Bob Montgomery, Rocky Graziano, and Freddie "Red" Cockrane.

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NO referee in the history of local boxing has skyrocketed to prominence so quickly as has Ruby Goldstein, the one-time lightweight Jewel of the Ghetto. A clever boxer in his prime, a soporific socker, Goldstein hoped someday to become one of the greatest champions of all time. It seemed that nothing would stop the colorful Ruby in his quest for ring immortality—until he collided with the Nebraska Wildcat, Ace Hudkins.

The rest is indelibly engraved in ring history. Goldstein was stopped by Hudkins in a tremendous upset. There were other great attempts on Goldstein's part as he grasped at the straw of recognition. His battles with Jimmy McLarnin and Sid Terris are still chief topics of discussion whenever fight fans gather and rehash fights of the past.

Years passed and there were the inevitable comeback attempts which failed, and then Ruby Goldstein, a personable, intelligent young man was just another ex-famous fighter seen around the small clubs, the gymnasiums and training camps.

Back in 1943 Goldstein was drafted into the Army although he was in his middle thirties. Ruby became a corporal and was stationed at Fort Hamilton where boxing shows are staged each summer. One night the referee failed to appear. Someone thought of Ruby Goldstein as a substitute.

Ruby refereed the show and came out of the ring that night imbued with the idea of trying his hand at it again. He was transferred to Camp Shanks in New York and luckily that base had a broad athletic program which included boxing on a large scale. Goldstein was assigned to handle all the bouts and after a year was an experienced third man with several hundred bouts under his belt.

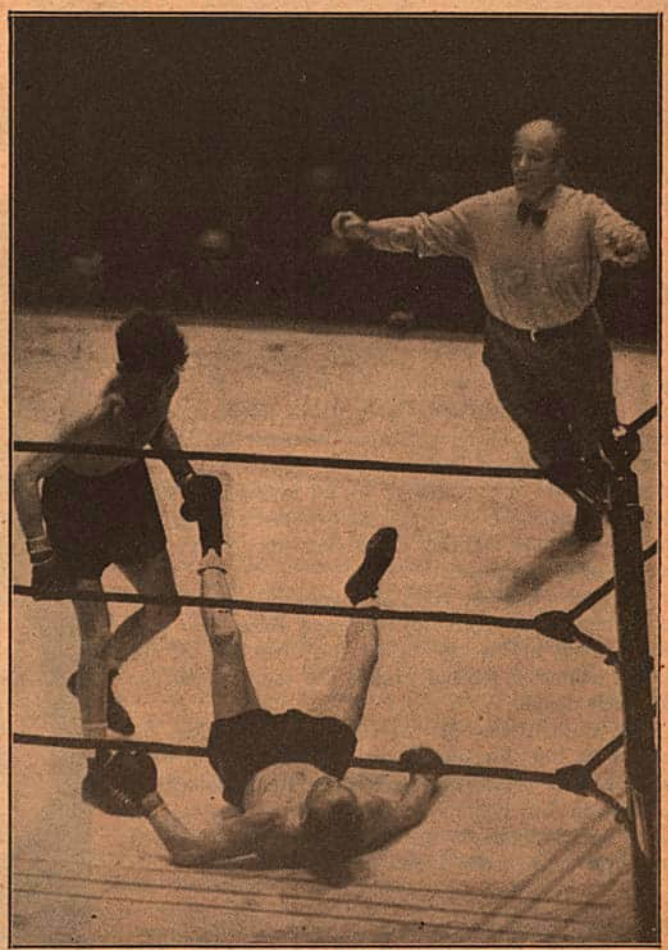
A CLEAN-LIVING chap, conscientious, and a possessor of fast footwork, Ruby soon earned the respect of both fighters and fans alike as he handled bouts with amazing smoothness. Goldstein always gives the same serious attention to a small club prelim bout as he would a Garden main go. Invariably he is a step ahead of the contestants as he moves speedily about the ring, never interfering with the progress of the fight, yet is always in a position to observe everything of importance.

Goldstein's natural ability has been recognized by the New York Commission for he has worked in many important encounters. His first Garden star bout assignment was the fight between Lou Nova and Joe Baksi. Ruby also handled the first Jake LaMotta-Tommy Bell shindig.

Goldstein has the unique distinction of having been the third man in the ring at Madison Square Garden for three bouts which drew the largest crowds in many years. These were the second Rocky Graziano-Harold Green fight, the third go between Johnny Greco and Tony Janiro, and the recent record-breaker featuring Beau Jack and Johnny Greco. Goldstein also worked the Rocky Graziano-Sonny Horne mill.

Although Goldstein is the youngest of the officials mentioned in this article, he strangely enough, with the exception of Arthur Donovan, has been a referee with Joe Louis as one of the principals upon more occasions than any other man on the New York State roster.

While with the Army, Ruby Goldstein flew more than 20,000 miles with the heavyweight champion through the Aleutians and Alaska while the champion was on an exhibition tour for the GI's. Ruby is one of the three *(Continued on page 35)*



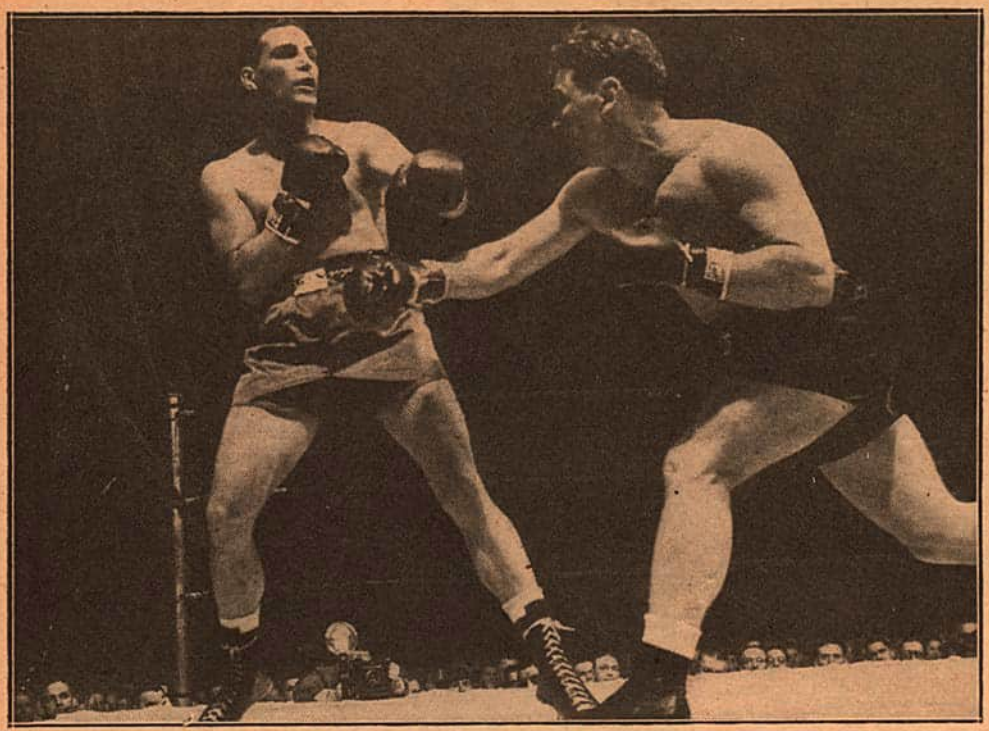
Billy Cavanagh, West Point's boxing mentor, who officiated in the second Louis-Godoy fray.

Nat FLEISCHER says:

Age No Criterion in Louis-Conn Battle

Long Lay-Off Puts Rival Ringmen on Par

Ring's Rating of Joe Wolcott Stands Up



Lee Oma (left) in one of his characteristic fighting poses. A little jerk of the body and Gus Lesnevich's right misses by a foot.

THE ballyhoo is on full blast for the Conn-Louis battle. The physical condition of each, the records of the men, the review of their last bout, their respective ages and comparison with famous ringmen of the past, who, like Conn and the champ, had long stretches of idleness before engaging in a title bout, is now the order of the day with sports scribes throughout the country. Joe and the challenger at this writing are far overweight, slow, and lack the make-up of two well-trained athletes, but they'll get into fighting trim once they shoot the works in their camps.

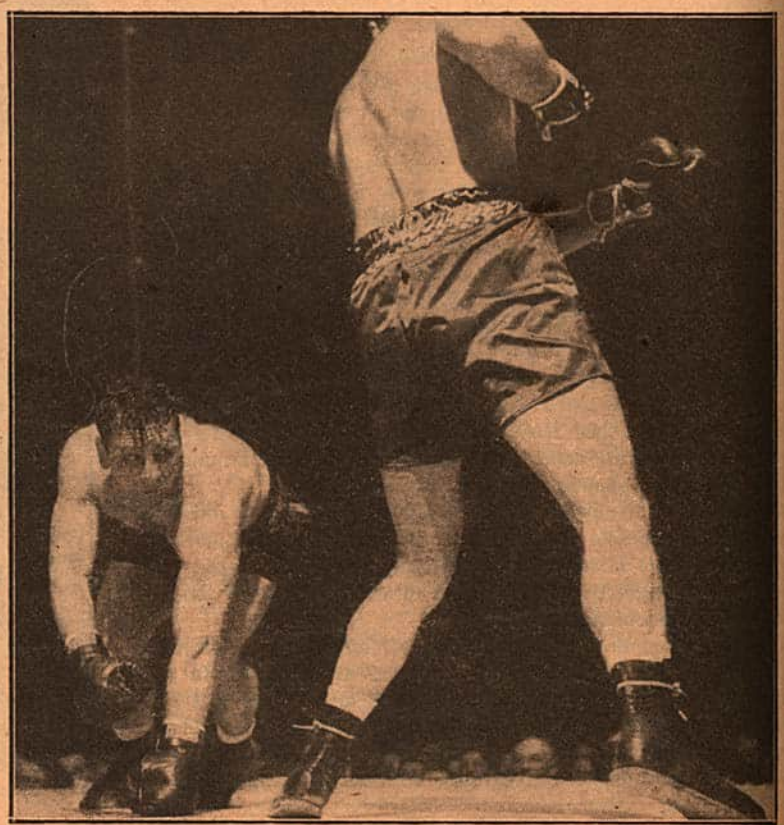
They have had five years of idleness and have added that number of years to their age since their last shindig, but at the age of 29 for Conn and 32 for Louis, neither is too old to give the fans a good run for their dough.

Jim Corbett was 31 years old when he lost his crown to Bob Fitzsimmons at Carson City in 1897 via the solar plexus route, yet prior to the knockout, Gentleman Jim had the better of the milling, as did Conn against Louis in their first engagement. Corbett had Fitz down in the 11th round.

Jess Willard was 32 years old when he took the crown from Jack Johnson at Havana and the Galveston Giant at the time was five years older than Jess.

When Corbett and Fitz clashed, each had been idle for some time. Corbett's last fight of any importance prior to that bout was the one with Charley Mitchell, a heavy middleweight, who was kayoed in three rounds at Jacksonville, on January 25, 1904. That layoff didn't hurt Corbett much, judging by his speed and hitting in the Fitz fight. Had Fitzsimmons not caught Jim with the solar plexus wallop, the Californian might have come through a victor. He was doing as well as his challenger up to the time of the knockout.

Three years after he lost to Fitz, at the age of 35, Corbett fought the greatest battle of his career when he went 23 rounds with Jim Jeffries at Coney Island. In that



The world light-heavyweight champion, Gus Lesnevich, touches the canvas in third round. The next session was his last. A deep cut under Gus' eye brought victory to Oma.

mill Corbett had the better of the going and would have won the decision had he not grown careless and mixed it with the Boilermaker with only two more rounds to go. In that respect, the bout is a reminder of the famous Conn-Louis battle when Billy the Kid, like Corbett, a master boxer, became cocky and exchanged blows with a powerful puncher with only two more cantos to bring Conn the world crown.

It's a cinch that Conn has learned his lesson and won't repeat that error on June 19. In the meantime, those who have been worrying about Old Father Time creeping up on Billy and Joe, and about the idle periods of their fighting career, may rest easily. Other great fighters faced similar conditions and came through with pleasing performances.

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A READER from Canada asks, "In view of the attendance in the first Louis-Conn bout and the gate receipts, why do you writers keep telling us that the coming battle will gross $2,000,000 or more and will have an attendance of 90,000 to 100,000?"

The answer to his query is simple. Despite the fact that both Billy and Joe were at their peak in 1941 and attracted a gate of only 60,071 with a gross of only $451,743, the postwar sports hungry fans will see to it that both attendance and gate are considerably higher. The rematch of this pair is what the public has been talking about ever since Billy the Kid tossed away his chances for a crown by exchanging punches with his harder-hitting opponent. No matter what the physical condition of the pair, a close to sellout arena will see them in action.

Strikes and idleness of thousands of returned GI's won't affect this bout. The people still possess war-time funds. They are sports hungry. Folks who never had a bank account today are investors in the stock market, in real estate and in ventures they never would have dreamt of entering prior to the World War. They have money to spend and they are doing just that. That's the answer.

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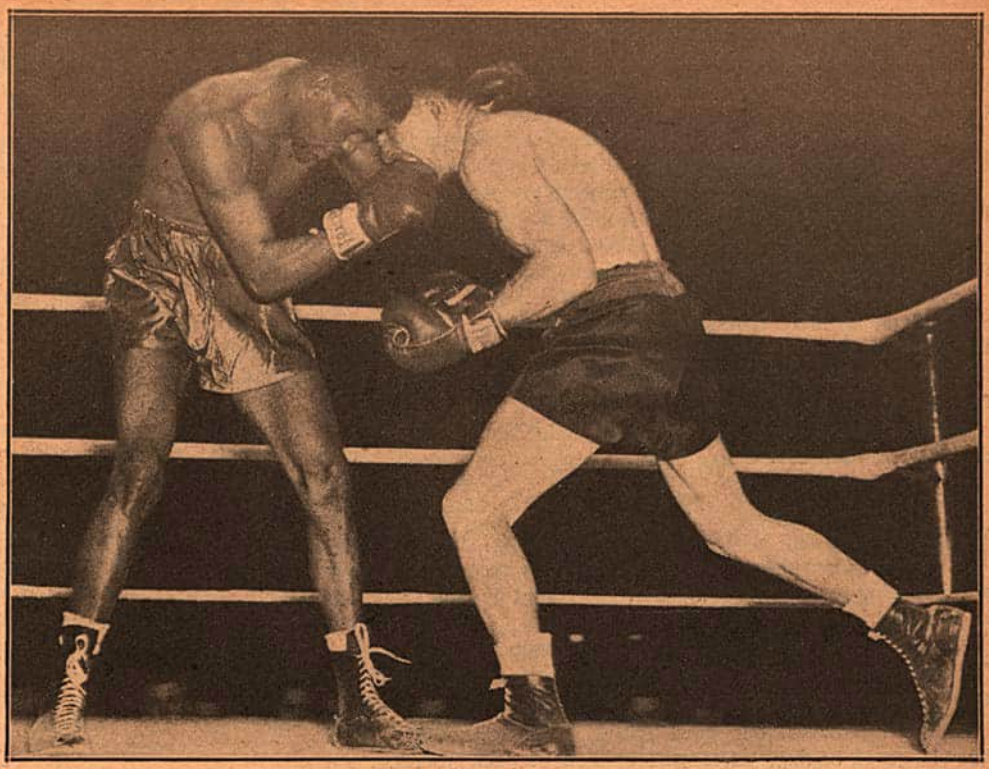
THE big shots in boxing are finding things tough these days. One after another they are taking it on the chin. Freddie Cochrane, Gus Lesnevich, Jimmy Bivins, among others who have been defeated in recent contests, are giving hopes to the supporters of Billy Conn that he will emerge the victor over Joe Louis. The Conn adherents figure that this is his year and they base their arguments on the large number of top-flight men in all divisions who have failed to come through in important contests.

The knockout of Cochrane by Marty Servo was no surprise. Freddie's defeat seemed a certainty judging by what happened in his fights with Rocky Graziano.

But when Lee Oma stopped Gus Lesnevich, that was a complete upset. Not that Oma didn't figure as an extremely fine bet to carry off the honors, but the manner in which he rolled up the points after the second round was an indication that had the bout gone a few more sessions, Lesnevich would have been a badly beaten man.

Then came the biggest of all upsets, that in which Jimmy Bivins lost a split decision to Jersey Joe Wolcott, though the broadcast and the stories of the fight indicated that the Jersey Negro not only had a clear-cut margin on Bivins, but handed him a severe beating and dropped him for a count of eight. The decision in favor of Bivins—6 to 4—by Referee Jackie Davis, according to the New Yorkers who witnessed the bout, was off color. Unfortunately, though I had intended to see the bout, a previous engagement kept me from Cleveland, hence I had to be content to listen in to the fine broadcast of Sam Taub and Joe Comiskey, whose report indicated a victory for Wolcott by as wide a margin as one of the judges had it—8 to 1 and one even.



Bob Montgomery (left), tuning up for defense of his New York lightweight title, gains a close decision over Leo Rodak, veteran Chicagoan.

It was a severe setback for Bivins, whose high rating prior to that bout made him a hot favorite. THE RING had been severely criticized by followers of Bivins for not rating him above Conn, who has been idle, and likewise for placing Wolcott as our Number Five man in the monthly ratings, but the result of the Bivins-Wolcott bout shows the accuracy of our gauge.

Wolcott, a thirty-one-year-old father of six children, is being discussed as the latest Cinderella Man. The Jersey scrapper, who like Jimmy Braddock, had retired from the ring and came back for another try at the game during the war when everyone seemed to be at it, may yet find himself in the same post as did Braddock. Stranger things have happened in boxing.

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IN the Lesnevich contest, Gus took the first two rounds by a two-point margin, but when the third started, the unorthodox fighting of Oma puzzled the light-heavyweight king and he was hit at will. Soon his face was as red as a beet and it became evident that from then on, Gus didn't have a chance.

The following round saw the finish of the bout. A deep gash under the eye brought a halt by Dr. Walker, Chief Medical Advisor of the Boxing Board, and the bout went down into the record book as a knockout for Oma in the fourth round. It was in between the fourth and fifth sessions that the decision was rendered and under the rules of boxing the kayo, or as some will call it, the technical kayo, reverts to the round just ended—the fourth.

Oma has reached a point in his career when he must be rated a fit opponent for Joe Louis and Billy Conn and should be given the post of alternate should anything happen to either the champ or challenger prior to June 19, when they clash again in the Yankee Stadium. Oma can hit and he can box—though he is an awkward fighter so far as the opposition is concerned. Some months ago I was on the verge of closing a deal for Jack Solo-

mons to send Oma across the Big Pond to fight Bruce Woodcock and on the night of the fight with Lesnevich, Eddie Borden, who has come over from England as Solomons' representative, remarked:

"Gee, Nat, Woodcock, and Hurst, his manager, should be grateful to you for not shipping Oma across to fight Bruce.

"What Oma wouldn't do to Woodcock or any other of the British heavyweights! I would hate to think of it!

"Woodcock couldn't touch this fellow. I never realized he was such a splendid boxer. You can't touch him!

"Were I to bring Oma over to England as I had contemplated, and he were to meet Woodcock, I would have to hurry back to New York and never again show my face in London because the British would never forgive me for putting their idol out of the picture."

That, coming from so expert a fight enthusiast as Eddie Borden, speaks volumes for Lee Oma.

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WHAT'S wrong with the fighters of today, Fred Winsor, veteran manager of the old school was recently asked by me, following the quick knockout of Joe Kahut by Gus Lesnevich in Portland, Oregon.

"Lack of proper teaching," quickly snapped back Winsor. "Their stance is poor. They don't know how to use a left jab effectively and they haven't the faintest idea about feinting."

In those remarks, our good friend, a veteran with a keen knowledge of boxing, echoes the opinion of Jack Johnson, the fighter whom I regard as the greatest all-around boxer since Corbett won the crown from Sullivan.

Stance, a left jab and feinting are the three assets that make for greatness in boxing.

Hard hitting goes a long way towards success in the ring, but the fighter who combines the punch with the jab and the feint, is the man who usually gets to the top. Men like Tommy Loughran, Leonard, Tony Canzoneri, Barney Ross, Jim Corbett, Jack Johnson, Tommy Burns, Bob Fitzsimmons, Jack Root, Tommy Ryan and Gene Tunney among other stars of the roped square, perfected these to gain the top rung of the ladder. Too many of the lads today fail to realize that boxing is a science. They depend wholly on slugging.

Winsor pointed out that great ring men like Abe Attell, Joe Thomas, Ned Hanlon, Jimmy Britt, Frankie Neil—Californians who learned how to master the science from a master teacher, Alex Greggains, made their headway because they could maneuver an opponent into position. They could jab effectively and could counter a blow in the fraction of a second. In short, they learned the mechanics of fighting. They didn't jab at long range because they were taught that a jab to be effective must be used when one is coming in towards you. Then it packs dynamite. The leverage must be perfect and it can be so only when not used at a distance.

What Winsor discussed is similar to a lecture Jim Corbett once gave to Jimmy McLarnin when Jimmy was in training for his fight with Ross. "Use the straight left," cautioned Corbett, "as soon as you see your man coming in. Don't use it when out of position and he'll nail you as you lose your fighting stance."

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FOR the first time in many years, the Smith clan has failed to lead the field in the index of a record book. Though there were sixty-eight Smiths fighting as pros in 1945, thirty-eight of them failed to get in two or more contests, with the result that only thirty are listed in Nat Fleischer's 1946 Annual. The Johnsons have it on the Smiths in this year's guide. Fifty-eight members of that clan engaged in sufficient professional contests to be rated in the record book and nineteen failed to get into the select circle because of insufficient bouts.

In this year's Record Book a total of 3137 boxers is listed as against 2003 last year. The vast increase in the number of pro battlers since the war ended, is evidenced by the fact that THE RING's index shows 5111 cards as against less than 3000 when the attack on Pearl Harbor was made. Whereas the 1945 Record Book carried a total of 368 pages, the 1946 guide has 496 pages. Never in the history of the sport have so many boxers appeared before the public as during the past year, and judging by the number of new clubs recently opened to boxing, this year will find even the high figures of the past, topped.

Boxing is in for its greatest year.

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BOXING in Philadelphia suffered a setback in the Nate Bolden-Billy Fox fight when Nate was accused by Boxing Commissioner Rains of quitting after an "invisible blow" had landed on his jaw. Despite his contention that he had hurt his hand in the first round and couldn't continue, the evidence submitted in an inquiry by the commission failed to convince that body and Bolden was suspended from further operations in Pennsylvania. In addition, his purse was forfeited. Fox and his mentor, Frank Palermo, were exonerated by the board.

Thus ended a "smelly" situation, one that created a near riot in Herman Taylor's arena where the fight was staged. Quick action on the part of commissions is the safest way to cure those who attempt to put one over on the public. Bolden is a good fighter. He has an excellent record and he could have done far better than he did in taking a two-round knockout at the hands of Fox. He let down those who paid close to $30,000 to see him try his skill and hitting power against a rising, most promising youngster, and must now take his medicine.

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TO Commissioner Rains goes our heartiest congratulations for banning advance championship deals, such as in the recent Freddie Cochrane vs. Marty Servo affair in New York. Following on the heels of the unsatisfactory mill between Fox and Bolden, Billy's manager inaugurated a drive for a light-heavyweight championship fight with Gus Lesnevich. In view of the fact that other more worthy contenders, particularly Archie Moore, have the upper hand, Palermo agreed to turn over to the champ $50,000 if Gus lost the crown to Fox and if Lesnevich were returned the winner, he could work on a percentage basis or a flat guarantee of $30,000. Thus, as in the case of Servo, where the commission was cognizant of a similar deal through widespread newspaper publicity, the proposition aroused public resentment. The cry went up that Fox was attempting to buy a title, and the Pennsylvania board acted quickly.

Commissioner Rains didn't give the proposition time to gain any headway. He ruled that the State of Pennsylvania would ban any such agreement and he had a rule passed to that effect. Under the rule, no agreement can be made in a world championship event whereby the defending title holder, in the event he loses his crown, will be guaranteed a larger sum than called for in his contract with the commission, plus a guarantee that the loser will receive a return engagement. It is the first ruling of its kind by any state commission and one which New York and all other states where the sport is legalized should copy as a protective measure.

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HERE'S one for the book—in the fight between O'Neill Bell and Sugar Ray Robinson in Detroit a few weeks ago, Bell was knocked out in the second round. Sugar Ray was giving a beautiful exhibition of boxing when Referee Johnny Weber stepped in with a command, "Come on and fight."

Robinson, who was just warming up, decided that if the referee insisted on rushing the contest to an end, he would oblige and he cut loose. One of the blows struck just above the belt line, but Referee Weber accused Ray of hitting low and warned him, and then, the strangest thing happened.

Bell turned to the referee and shook his head: "No, sir, he didn't hit me low. That was a fair punch."

That line deserves a caption, "It Happens Once in a Lifetime."

Old-time fight managers would turn in their graves at the thought of a fighter arguing with a referee that he hadn't been fouled with a punch that almost dropped him. Strange things are happening in boxing these days!

THE decision of the court in the case of Joe Baksi vs. Nate Wolfson and Herman Wallman, his co-managers, in declaring that under the laws of New York State only one manager, the man of record with the commission, can hold the reins over a boxer, should have a far-reaching effect. The verdict not only offers protection to a fighter against being cut up by those who claim to have a piece of him, but offers the commission a chance to weed out of the sport the undercover mentors. It also gives the boxer protection against the manager who insists on taking from the fighter's earnings more than one-third of the purse.

Most managers in New York share a boxer's purse, splitting it in half. In addition, there are many unscrupulous managers who deduct from the fighter's share, general expenses, such as for publicity and training. The boxing commission has done nothing to protect the fighter against such sharp practices. Yet it has the power to do so!

A case worthy of mention is that of Joe Louis. One of the reasons why the world heavyweight champion has little to show for the fortune he made in the ring, is because his managers have taken from him fifty percent of every purse. In addition Joe forked up the training expenses out of his earnings. Thus, while Louis did the fighting and was the magnet at the gate, his managers did the taking—and they fared pretty well.

That Joe and his managers split the purse fifty-fifty was common knowledge. Many interviews carried that in headlines every time Joe fought in New York. Yet the boxing commission didn't see fit at any time to call in the principals and learn why a contract different from the one on file at the commission office was being enforced.

An investigation, with charges of perjury as a threat, would enable the commission to learn that more than half of the fighters licensed by it, are paying fifty percent of their purse to those who manage them, though the law says a manager is entitled to only thirty-three and one-third.

Of course, under the decision handed down by Justice Carrol G. White in New York, double managers and private contracts calling for fifty percent of the fighter's purse are declared illegal. But there will continue to be such undercover deals in the future as there have been in the past, but they will last only as long as the fighter and managers remain pals. Once that friendship is broken, no manager other than the one licensed legally by the commission, will be able to collect.

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MANUEL ORTIZ'S thirteenth title defense ended with a kayo of Luis Castillo, his opponent in the Civic Auditorium in San Francisco in the thirteenth round. Despite a year's absence from the ring during which time he served in the army, the El Centro bantamweight champion fought as well as he did the night that he won the title from Lou Salica in 1942. Two of the bouts in which he defended his crown were with Castillo and both ended in knockouts. Castillo took the full count in 1.31 of the fatal round.

Ortiz, 29 years old, carried the fight to his 24-year-old opponent from the start. He puffed Luis' eyes in the fifth round and closed the left eye in the tenth. The other eye started to close in the following round and by the end of the twelfth, Castillo was in bad shape. Just before the bell sounded to end that session, Luis went to his knees, but got to his feet before the count was started.

Ortiz was rewarded with THE RING belt, a trophy he should have received when he beat Salica, but which could not be obtained because of the war until a few weeks ago. It was the one hundred and twenty-third belt given to champions as a merit award by THE RING Editor since 1922.

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JACK DEMPSEY continues to be the idol of fistic fans. No matter where he goes, the throngs follow him. His recent appearance in New England where he was engaged as a wrestling referee, bore out the statement of Gene Tunney in a recent interview:

"Dempsey's name is magic everywhere. I do not believe that there is an athlete in the world who has the same hold on the public as the old Manassa Mauler."

Truer words were never spoken. When Jack toured the country a few months ago in the last Bond Drive, he packed 'em in wherever he went. More bonds were sold through his appearance than at that of any other celebrity. The same holds good now on Jack's boxing and wrestling tour. He continues his popularity. His genial disposition, his desire to make friends, and his color, make him the boxing hero of the age.

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NOW that Jack Dempsey, the most popular fighter since John L. Sullivan was the hero of the American boxing public, has been made the front man for Boxing Promoters of America, Inc., that organization is sure to be kept in the fistic spotlight. Whether the addition of the old Manassa Mauler will influence some of the big shots in the various divisions to throw their lot with the leading clubs in this organization or not, won't make much difference.

Naturally Dempsey's presence will help the promoters to obtain better talent than they have had heretofore, but Mike Jacobs will continue to get the cream because he has the kind of money that lures the best talent and the proper facilities to carry on shows of major proportions. The champions, with an exception here and there, are certain to stick by Jacobs. They are always assured of bigger gates and higher purses.

Yet the new move is an excellent one for the sport. Dempsey's addition to the Boxing Promoters of America, Inc., as the representative of Adam Hats, the firm that backs the radio for that organization's shows, will react in a manner beneficial to all hands. When Dempsey talks, everybody listens. His words on boxing furnish material for both radio and columnists. His presence at the clubs from where the radio broadcast will be made weekly, a selection that will be his job, should bring overflow gatherings to the fights. It will instil new life into the game in territories where the sport needed a little prick of the needle.

Dempsey admits that his reason for joining the organization is purely commercial. It will aid him in his radio and television plans which he and his syndicate hope to put through when television becomes a reality on a big scale.

THERE is always room for new blood in the boxing game, and Dempsey's entry into it on a big scale is welcomed by those who have the interests of boxing at heart. I can see no reason for Mike Jacobs worrying over the new combine. Whatever happens in Baltimore, Detroit, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Washington, and points west where Dempsey is heading, shouldn't make Mike lose any sleep.

New York is the center of boxing. It is the big money mart for world fisticuffs, and so long as the Garden and Mike are hooked up in a combine that gives them the use of the Garden and the lease on New York's ball parks, the competition they will get from Dempsey's clubs will merely strengthen the sport in America, but will not take from Jacobs what he has enjoyed to date.

Dempsey will be considerably helped in his new television enterprise, and if he succeeds in getting a location for a boxing structure, the new setup will aid him there also. But Mike Jacobs has done all right from boxing up to now and will continue to do so unless the Manassa Mauler can build a gigantic fight arena in the heart of New York to challenge Mike's monopoly. Outside of New York nothing can hurt Jacobs.

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WILLIE PEP came back to New York to show his wares in a championship bout with Sal Bartolo but couldn't keep the engagement because of the illness of his challenger and instead he took on Jimmy McAllister of Baltimore, the only fighter to hold Willie to a draw, and what the champ did to poor McAllister left the Madison Square Garden fans gaping. Willie electrified the crowd with a second round kayo and proved to the astonished gathering that when it comes to featherweight fighting, Pep is in a class by himself.

For the first round it seemed that McAllister would repeat or even score a one-sided victory this time, so easily did he take the initial canto as Pep missed and floundered and looked anything but the classy boxer he is.

But in the second, Willie found the range. He straightened Jimmy with a left jab, followed quickly with a powerful right that staggered the Baltimore Negro and knocked him back on his heels and then came a lightning left to the pit of the stomach that made McAllister sick.

Willie sensed the kill and didn't wait a second. He followed up that advantage with a left hook to the solar plexus and it was all over. So rapidly did he work and so quickly did those snappy punches land, that few, even those in the press seats, could tell exactly what had happened. Most of the boys failed to see the final blow land. As I saw it, it landed in the same spot that enabled Bob Fitzsimmons to take the crown from Jim Corbett. Most ringsiders thought the punch crashed against the jaw but Pep said it was a blow to the stomach that ended the fight.

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The SENATOR'S DOWNFALL

How Roscoe Conkling the Fighting New Yorker, Met His Waterloo at the Hands of Jem Mace in a "Friendly Setto"

By SAM AUSTIN

(New York State Judge and former Editor of Richard K. Fox's "Police Gazette")

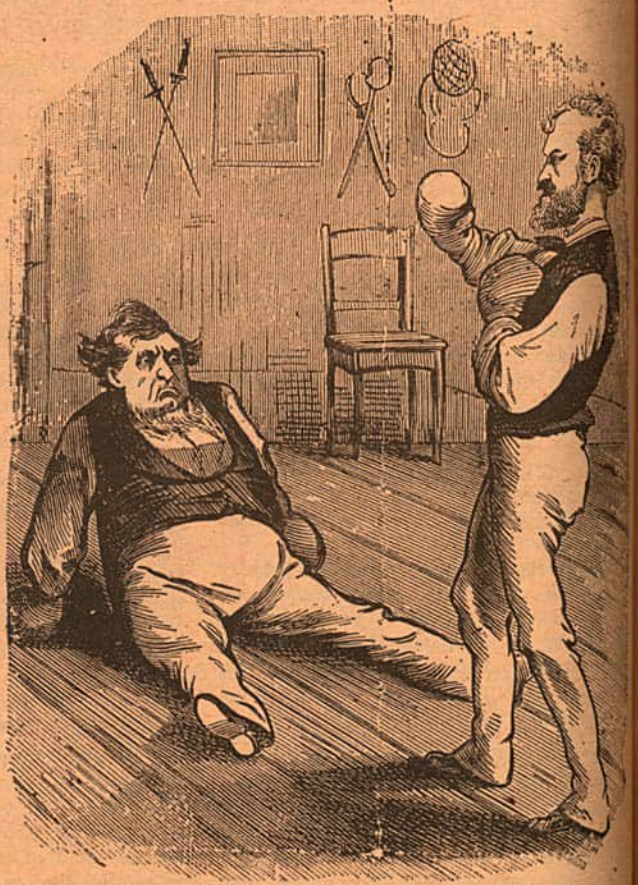
Senator Chandler and his "friend," drinking a toast to Senator Conkling.

THE White House has boasted of many athletically inclined presidents, among them, as told in previous issues of THE RING, Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, Andrew Jackson, Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. Many stories have been told about the athletic activities of these famous men, the most thrilling being centered about Teddy Roosevelt. He was a boxer who loved to don the mitts every time the opportunity arose but he had nothing on Senators Roscoe Conkling and Chandler. Conkling not only could give a fairly good exhibition of the manly art, but took a keen delight in displaying his wares on the unsuspecting.

The Senator loved to boast of his physical strength while in Washington. One evening he was invited to dinner and after a few cocktails, he removed his coat, stretched out his arm and remarked:

"Do you gentlemen see my muscle? I can lick any one my size anywhere even if I am an old man but I will never lay a hand on a man if he isn't a gentleman.

"Take Don Platt, for example. He tells lies about me and I'd



Senator Conkling, showing his skill as a boxer, knocks out Senator Chandler, and the latter decides to get even with him.

lick him, but he's no gentleman. George Townsend is another. I hunted for him for more than a week but when I caught up with him and wanted to thrash him, I learned he was no gentleman so his hide was saved."

The men at the table listened attentively to the bragging Senator, then decided to put over a fast one on him. The Senator had a home in Washington in which he had fitted out a gymnasium and invariably after one of his social gatherings, Senator Conkling would invite some of his guests to the gym for a little workout.

One evening, the dinner over, Senator Conkling asked Senator Chandler and several others to accompany him for a few cocktails and a little gym work, but Senator Chandler politely turned down the invitation with the remark:

"Sorry, Senator, but I have a friend here, a constituent from Michigan and it wouldn't be dignified for me to leave him while I accompanied you."

"Well, Senator, why not bring *(Continued on page 35)*

Here the "unknown," the quiet friend of Senator Chandler, lands the haymaker on Senator Conkling while Senator Chandler enjoys the scene.

Louis-Schmeling Bouts
STUDIES in CONTRASTS

Knocked Out in Twelfth in First Encounter, Joe Almost Killed German in First Heat of Return Bout

By DANIEL M. DANIEL

AS we move toward the second meeting of Joe Louis and Billy Conn, on June 19 at the Yankee Stadium, the Brown Bomber's two fights with Max Schmeling stand out with technical preeminence and dramatic power.

Nowhere in the annals of the heavyweight division will you find a more interesting study in contrasts, nowhere will you discover a more satisfying measure of revenge and recompense.

The first encounter between Louis and Schmeling came on June 19, 1936, in New York. The German stopped Joe in the twelfth—the one black mark in the Bomber's history.

The second Louis-Schmeling fight took place on June 22, 1938, again in New York, and the Negro disposed of the Nazi in exactly 2 minutes 4 seconds.

These two results are cited as proof—if proof were needed—that in the heavyweight division it is not always safe to go by the past performance sheet.

Within a space of two years, Louis not only was able to reverse a verdict against Schmeling, but do the job with dispatch and almost fatal effect. For Max was fortunate to leave the ring alive after his quick knockout.

Let us fill in the heavyweight picture as it was in the two Louis-Schmeling fights.

When Max trounced Joe in 1936, Jim Braddock was the champion. He had gained the title by outpointing Max Baer in 15 rounds on June 13, 1935.

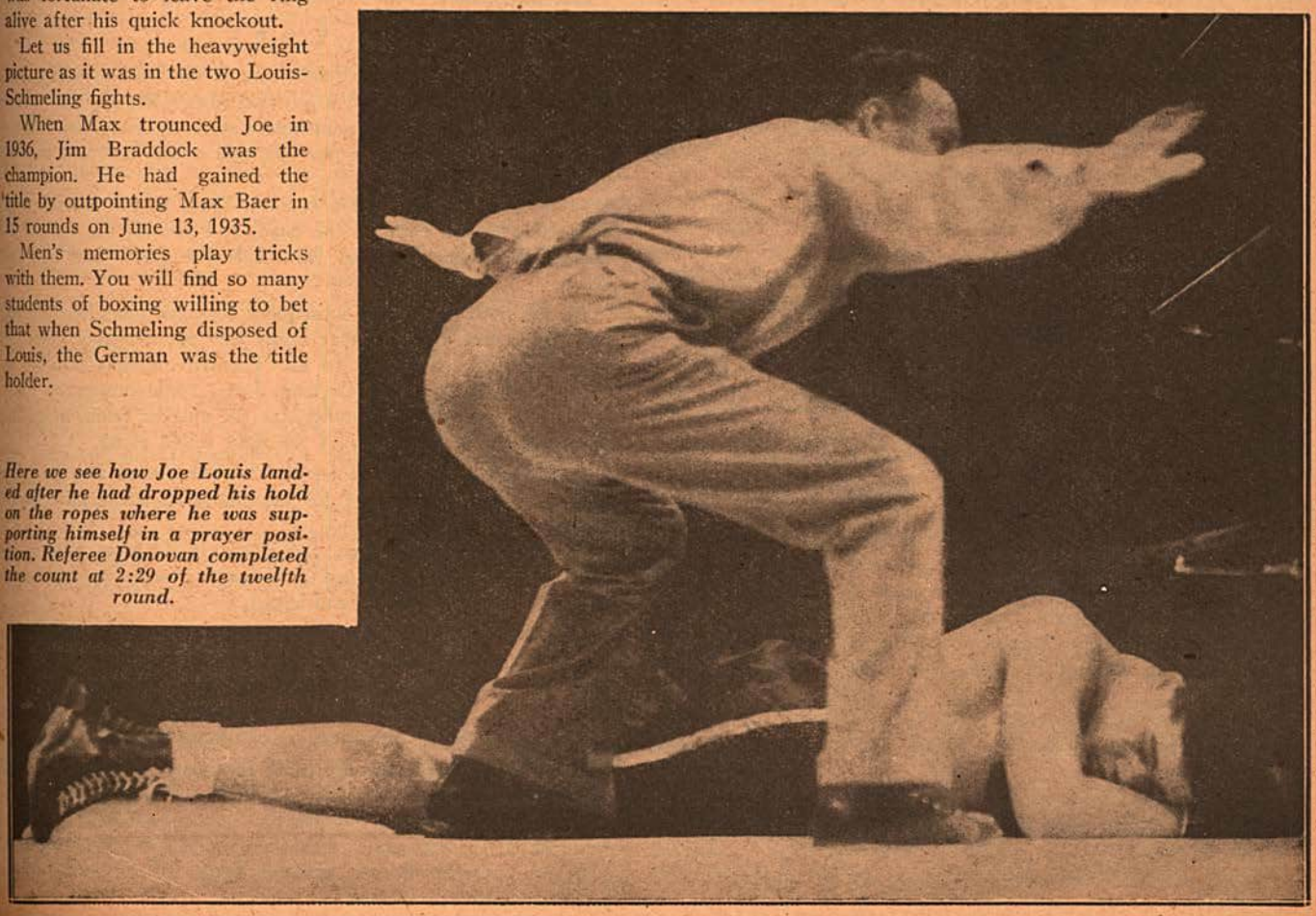
Men's memories play tricks with them. You will find so many students of boxing willing to bet that when Schmeling disposed of Louis, the German was the title holder.

TRUE, Schmeling had been the heavyweight champion of the world. He achieved the top rung on July 12, 1930, when he beat Jack Sharkey on a foul in the fourth round. Gene Tunney had retired after his 1928 fight with Tom Heeney, and had left the title open for competition. Jack and Max were the best of the field, and that July night 16 years ago, Schmeling proved a better actor than Sharkey. With the aid of his shrewd manager, he copped the heavyweight crown while sitting in the resin dust yelling "foul."

Max did not do very much with the championship. He beat Young Stribling in 15 rounds in Cleveland, and then lost the title to Sharkey on June 21, 1932, in a contest that lasted the 15-heat limit.

That night the heavyweight title began to travel. Primo Carnera knocked out Sharkey, then beat Tommy Loughran. Max Baer belted out the Italian in the eleventh. Baer then lost to Braddock, and on June 22, 1937, in Chicago, Louis stopped Braddock in the eighth and started a reign which has lasted nine years.

No championship was involved when Louis trounced Baer, no title was at stake when Joe lost to Schmeling.



Here we see how Joe Louis landed after he had dropped his hold on the ropes where he was supporting himself in a prayer position. Referee Donovan completed the count at 2:29 of the twelfth round.

But when Louis and the German met the second time, Joe had been the title holder for a full year. He was arrayed in the full panoply of a leadership which had adorned Jim Corbett, Jim Jeffries, Bob Fitzsimmons and John L. Sullivan; he was invested with the confidence born of his having achieved the fistic pinnacle.

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NOW let us paint in Schmeling's record between his two meetings with the Bomber.

On December 14, 1937, the German stopped Harry Thomas in the eighth—a feat of doubtful importance.

Max went back to Germany and whipped Ben Foord, the South African, in 12, and knocked out Steve Dudas in the fifth.

Schmeling then returned to New York and took one of the most terrific beatings in the history of heavyweight championship competition from Louis.

What about the Bomber in between the two engagements with Max? Two months after Joe's knockout by Schmeling, Louis organized his recovery with a three-round knockout over Sharkey.

Louis then disposed of Al Ettore in five; Jorge Brescia in three; Eddie Simms in one; and Stanley Ketchel in two.

On January 27, 1937, in the Garden in New York, Joe suffered a slight setback in a bout that went the ten-round limit. Bob Pastor sprinted and ran, and Joe proved that his technique still lacked certain niceties, for he permitted Pastor to come close to making a sucker out of him without having hurt him, or even made a semblance of a fight out of it.

Louis proceeded to stop Natie Brown in the fourth, and four months later, landed the title.

It was then that Schmeling again set up a terrific clamor for a chance to do what no heavyweight yet had achieved—regain the title after once having lost it.

Max had been shunted aside by Braddock. The German was matched with Jim, but for many reasons outlined in last month's story in THE RING Magazine, about Joe's triumph over Braddock, the Braddock-Schmeling match in New York was cancelled, and the Braddock-Louis scrap in Chicago was substituted.

"If I shove Louis out of the way, I will give you a chance," Braddock promised Max.

Well, Jim did not shove Joe out of the picture, and now, with Louis the champion, Schmeling howled from Hamburg to Hell.

Once again the Nazi was pushed aside. Louis gave first crack at the title to Tommy Farr, the Welsh coal miner, who was the British champion—and what a stunner that one turned out to be, with Tom losing on points in 15 rounds!

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IT was then that Louis signed up for Schmeling. Before tackling the German, Joe stopped Nathan Mann in three and Harry Thomas in five. Neither of these encounters resembled a fight. But they served their purpose—to warm up the title holder for the big revenge—seeking adventure against the man from Germany.

The first Louis-Schmeling fight was the climax of a long series of Machiavellian maneuvers in two camps.

Braddock had the title, and both Schmeling and Louis were confident that if they could get the Jerseyman into a ring, the championship would change hands.

However, the situation was not as simple as all that. The public felt that there was little to choose between the German and the Negro, and demanded that they meet in an elimination bout.

This was not what the Louis camp wanted. The German was not averse to tackling Joe because Max had become convinced, from studying pictures of Louis fights, that he had the proper prescription.

Finally the papers were signed, and the fight was arranged for June 19, 1936, in the very arena in which Louis will meet Conn again.

In a warmup, Louis knocked out Charley Ratzlaff in the first round. In his last previous fight, the Nazi had beaten Paulino in 12.

Louis had fired the imaginations of the fight experts. They predicted that Joe would stop Schmeling "when and how he chose." The betting was fantastic, Joe favorite at times 1 to 10.

All this made Schmeling laugh, he insisted. "There is no doubt about this—I will beat the Negro. I will beat him with a knockout."

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SCHMELING was not a great heavyweight. But he was a student. Perhaps no other fighter who has held the title since Corbett made so keen a study of the technique of fighting, and so close an analysis of the styles of his opponents.

With Schmeling, nothing was haphazard, nothing was left to chance any more than he could help it. He had the bullheadedness and the arrogance of the Nazi, he had the regimented mind, the capacity for taking pains, the one-track line toward his objective.

Max also was imbued by a racial spirit. The Nazis had proclaimed the world superiority of what they called their true Aryan blood line. For Schmeling to lose to a Negro would disturb Herr Hitler's racial theses. Max had to win, or lose face at home.

"Louis is wide open for a right," Schmeling said. He had studied pictures of the Bomber's fight with Paulino, and he was confident that he knew just how to handle the Negro. His confidence certainly was not misplaced.

Schmeling was thirty-one years of age, Louis had just passed his twenty-second birthday, when they walked to the center of the Yankee Stadium ring, with Arthur Donovan the referee.

In 2 minutes 29 seconds of the twelfth round, Schmeling landed a terrific right to the left side of Louis's jaw, and the Negro folded up like a busted accordion.

For a fleeting second, Louis rested on one knee, then with eyes shut, he sank. His head rested on an arm. The picture was one of a youngster who had been whipped and who lay there crying.

The 45,000 onlookers sat stunned. They had been led to believe that the Negro would make a show of the German and then blast the daylights out of him with a closing, conquering fusillade.

But the student from Hamburg had thought this one to perfection.

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OF course it was not all Schmeling. In the fourth round Louis's jabs had done so good a job that Max's left eye was a mere slit. He had taken a lot of punishment about the body, too. But this German was a man with a purpose, and a plan that was to work to perfection.

Louis took the first three rounds. Then, in the fourth round, Schmeling shot a right to the head, and Joe hit the canvas. He bobbed up at the count of two. But—Joe Louis had been put down.

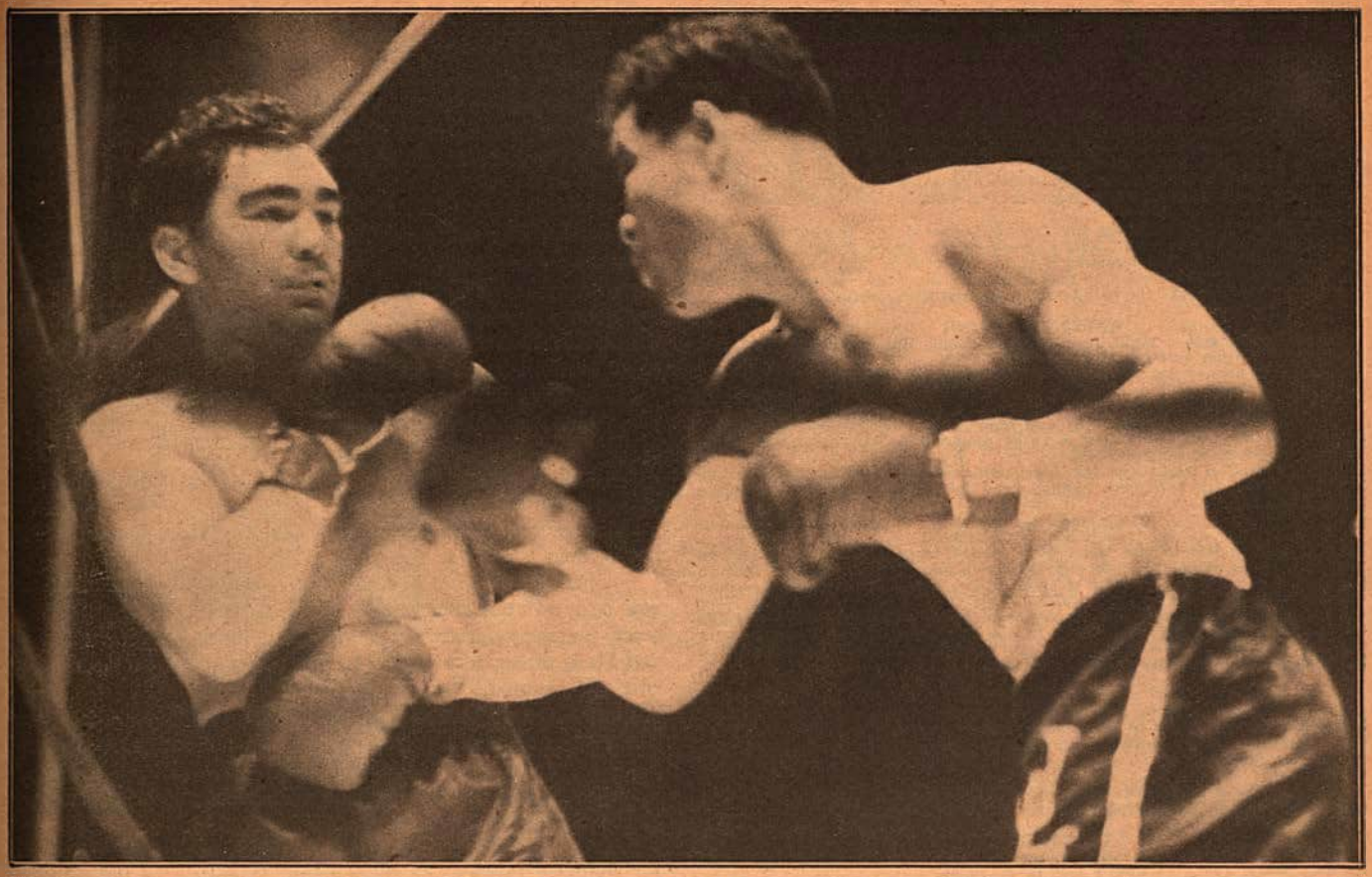
As the fifth, sixth and subsequent sessions went into the records, it became apparent that Louis was not a mental giant. He had been instructed what to do. Thrown off that plan by the determined attack of the German, Louis could muster no initiative. Far superior in mentality, far the quicker brain, Schmeling developed fresh techniques as the fight rolled along.

It seemed as if he had set the twelfth round for the grand climax, and refused to let his accumulating advantages swerve him from his scheme.

The writer believes that Schmeling could have won in six heats. His work in the last half-dozen rounds was deliberate, methodical. And, withal, murderous.

Had the rules been adhered to strictly, Schmeling would have been declared the winner on a foul in the eighth round. Again in the twelfth, Joe struck Max in the groin. This action doubtless was not intentional, but it was flagrant, nevertheless. Intent is not considered in the rules, merely what happens.

However, both of these palpably low punches were overlooked because it was quite apparent that only a miracle could save the Negro from defeat. Yet we must not forget that Schmeling twice felled Joe with punches that were hurled at him after the bell had ended the round. One of these in the fourth round started Joe on the road to defeat.



The fight for revenge. In this photo you see the scared Max Schmeling resting against the ropes while Joe Louis pounds him into a helpless state.

SCHMELING actually whipped Louis in the fourth round that night with his hard right cross to the head.

Joe would have been much better off had he taken a nine count. As it was, he jumped up before Donovan could take command, and from then on Joe was a man in a daze.

In the seventh session the fog lifted just a little, and Louis shot hooks and drives into the German's head and body. It was Joe's round.

But in the eighth, Schmeling took charge again, and from then on, it was only a question of time. Those who had come to crow over a beaten Nazi shifted in his favor. This was a typical American crowd, imbued with a strong spirit of sportsmanship, and it had nothing but admiration for the dogged determination and systematic technique of the foreigner.

Cautious, effective, the winner, Schmeling kept piling up his advantage. In the ninth round, Louis appeared to be dizzy at the opening bell. He was a man trying to wipe soap out of his eyes.

Came the twelfth. Louis hooked a foul left to the groin and Donovan warned him. Joe should not have done that. He aroused the German, who staggered him with a right cross and a left uppercut.

Max shot a right to the chin. No trouble at all to find that target. Then the climactic right, and the fight was over.

As a financial venture, the fight was something of a dud. Mike Jacobs had had visions of 80,000, or a gate close to a million.

But thousands of New York fight fans refused to support a fight in which a Nazi was the contestant.

That the battle attracted only 39,878 paying guests, with $547,531 in receipts, left an indelible mark on Mike's ledgers, and when the Schmeling-Braddock debate arose, those figures were hauled out to make Louis rather than the German the contender against Jim in Chicago.

Louis did not try to take anything away from his conqueror. "He fights turned around," Joe said. "You can't get to him. My thumbs hurt. But I'll whip him next time we meet."

SCHMELING had a six-pound edge in the weights in that first encounter with Louis. Joe scaled 192 and the German 198.

Max had grown up since the battle in which he had beaten Sharkey for the championship. That night he tipped the beam at 188. In six years, the Nazi had picked up ten pounds. Here is the punch by punch story of the German's clean-cut triumph:

FIRST ROUND

Louis was short with a left to the head. Schmeling grazed the jaw with a long right. Louis tapped a light left to the head. Louis sent a long left to the body. Schmeling drove a high right to the head and stepped back. Louis drove a left to the body and a right to the face.

Schmeling hooked a left to the jaw. Both were short with lefts to the head. Louis hooked a left to the body. Schmeling missed a long right for the head. They sparred cautiously and exchanged light lefts.

SECOND ROUND

Schmeling pawed with his left for the face but was short. Louis missed a short right for the head and took a right to the body in return. Louis sent a left and right to the face. Schmeling drove a hard right to Louis' chin. Schmeling shot a left to the face and missed a right to the jaw. Louis jolted Schmeling with several hard straight lefts to the face.

Louis landed a left to the face. The fighters imagined that they heard the bell and started to walk to their respective corners, but were called back by the referee. Louis dug a left to the body. He struck a straight left to the face just before the round ended.

THIRD ROUND

They traded long lefts. Schmeling rocked Louis with a right to the jaw. Louis came back and drove a left and right to the body. Louis poked several lefts to the face. Louis drove a right to the ribs. Louis was wild with both hands for the head. Schmeling grazed the jaw with a long right.

Louis drove his long left to the face often. He ripped a right uppercut to the body and shook the German. Louis drove more lefts to the face with no return from Schmeling.

FOURTH ROUND

Louis tapped his left to the face and Schmeling sent back a light left and right to the head. Schmeling crashed a long right to the jaw. The punch just grazed the target. Louis missed a right uppercut for the head. Louis drove a left to the head and Schmeling crossed a right to the cheek.

Louis' left found its mark on Schmeling's left eye, which puffed rapidly. Schmeling drove a right to the temple and dropped Louis for a count of two. Schmeling rushed his foe and sent both hands to the head. The bell rang, but neither fighter heard it and they continued for several seconds until Donovan stopped them. One blow by Schmeling staggered Joe after the bell had sounded and as Joe went to his corner, he clearly showed the effects of this hard wallop, but neither he nor his seconds claimed a foul.

FIFTH ROUND

Schmeling smashed a right to the jaw. He drove another right to the jaw and a third. Schmeling sent Louis off balance with a right to the jaw. They exchanged long lefts. Schmeling missed a right for the head. Schmeling rocked Louis with a right to the jaw. The German landed another right to the head.

Schmeling landed a right to the top of the head. Louis sent a straight

left to the face. They traded long rights, Schmeling reaching the head and Louis the body. Schmeling was short with a right to the jaw. Schmeling missed a right for the head. They traded lefts to the face. Schmeling jolted Louis with a right to the jaw. Again the bell rang without the fighters hearing it and—Louis had to be helped to his corner after they were separated.

SIXTH ROUND

Schmeling drove a right to the head and staggered Louis. Schmeling staggered him again with a right to the temple. At close quarters the German sent both hands to the body. Louis missed a right to the body.

Louis hooked a left to the jaw. Schmeling missed a right to the jaw and Louis held. Louis shot a right to the head and sent Schmeling off balance.

Schmeling sent a right to the face but grazed the target. Schmeling landed a right to the jaw. Louis drove a left to the body and Schmeling a right to the jaw. Louis missed a right uppercut to the jaw. Schmeling drove a right to the head, but took a left to the body. Schmeling landed a right to the head. At the bell Louis staggered to his corner again.

SEVENTH ROUND

Schmeling missed a right for the head. Louis dug a left to the body. Louis dug another left to the body.

Schmeling backed to the ropes where Louis reached him with a left hook to the body and a right to the head. Louis missed a long right to the head.

Louis landed a left to the body and took a right to the jaw. Louis shot a right to the jaw. Louis shot a right uppercut to the chin. Schmeling blocked a left hook for the body.

Louis missed a right for the head. Schmeling landed a right to the jaw and Louis sent back both hands to the head. They traded rights to the face just before the bell rang.

EIGHTH ROUND

Louis shot a left to the body. Max landed three rights and a left to the jaw. Louis stabbed a light left to the head. Louis landed a right to the jaw. Louis was short with a right to the head. Schmeling was short with a right uppercut to the chin.

Schmeling shot two rights to the jaw. Louis retaliated with a right to the head and a left and right to the body. Schmeling drove a long right to the jaw. Louis was short with a right counter. Louis landed a low punch and was warned by the referee.

NINTH ROUND

Louis jabbed a left to the face. Schmeling drove a right to the jaw. Schmeling drove a right to the head. Louis tapped a long left to the head. Schmeling crossed a right to the jaw. They exchanged lefts at long range. Schmeling landed a right to the head and followed with another right to the jaw.

Louis hooked a left to the head and a left to the body. Schmeling drove a left to the head. Schmeling landed a right to the jaw.

TENTH ROUND

Louis was late coming from his corner and Schmeling held off until he was ready. Louis hooked a left to the body.

The punch was low and Donovan cautioned the Negro. Schmeling rocked the Negro with both hands to the head. Louis shot a right to the jaw. Louis staggered Schmeling with a right to the head.

Schmeling hooked a left to the face. He drove a right to the head and Louis missed a right in return. Schmeling chopped a short right to the body. Louis drove a straight left to the head. Louis landed a right uppercut to the jaw.

ELEVENTH ROUND

Louis was short with a left for the head. Schmeling landed a right to the face. They exchanged lefts to the head at long range.

Louis jabbed two hard lefts to Schmeling's nearly closed left eye. Schmeling shot a long right to the jaw.

Schmeling was low with a right to the jaw. Louis looped a long right to the head. Schmeling hooked two lefts to the head and sent a right to the body.

Louis dug a hard left into the mid-section. Schmeling was short with a left and right to the head. Louis took a right to the jaw just as the bell rang.

TWELFTH ROUND

Schmeling drove a right to the ear. Schmeling was short with a right for the chin. Louis sent a low left at Schmeling and was warned by the referee. Louis drove a right to the head. Schmeling landed a right to the jaw. He lifted Louis' head back with another right to the jaw. Schmeling ripped a left and two rights to the jaw. He drove Louis to the ropes and landed a left and two rights to the jaw.

Louis was groggy and Schmeling landed a left to the jaw. Louis was completely helpless and Schmeling battered him to the floor with a right to the chin. Louis took the full count looking at his corner and Schmeling was declared the victor by a knockout. The time was 2:29 of the twelfth round.

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NOW let us have a look at the second fight between Joe Louis and Max Schmeling in the Yankee Stadium on the night of Wednesday, June 22, 1938.

Now Louis was the champion of the world. Now Schmeling was 33—two years older than he had been for the first scrap with the Brown Bomber. Two years too old, as it turned out.

The experts had said, "Louis will be gun shy! He cannot possibly forget what Max did to him in 1936."

But this was a different Louis. He had been told by Jack Blackburn, "Lose no time. Go for him at the bell." And Joe went.

Louis landed exactly 41 blows, 31 of which were serious. Fourteen of these found the German's chin.

Later on, the Nazi complained that he had been whipped by the "foul kidney punch." Actually, Louis struck Max on the kidneys just thrice. In New York, the kidney punch is not a major foul. The man who uses it can lose only the round, at worst. And the officials must be convinced that the punch was deliberate.

It was not a kidney punch that almost killed Max. It was a right cross to the jaw, for the second knockdown, and as Schmeling struck the canvas, he hurt his spine.

Louis put Schmeling down four times in those 2 minutes and 4 seconds of action.

The last knockdown was scored with a right to the jaw. Max went down on all fours. He just could not get up, and Max Machon, his handler, threw in a towel.

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HOWEVER, the New York law did not recognize the right of anyone except the referee to terminate a bout not actually ended by a knockout.

Arthur Donovan placed the towel on one of the ropes, and timekeeper Eddie Joseph tolled off, "One, two, three," and kept right on until he had reached eight.

Schmeling could not have gotten up at the count of 108. Donovan, who had taken the trouble to keep count with Joseph, stopped the fight at the eight count.

As Nat Fleischer says in his book, "'Jolting Joe' Louis just knocked Schmeling silly."

No sooner had the fight got under way than Joe landed five hooks, then a right to the chin.

Schmeling could not have gotten up at the count of 108. Donovan regarded the situation as a knockdown, but Louis was too quick for the referee. He stepped in with a right for the body, and Max, trying to avoid it, twisted, took the drive on the short ribs, and shouted, "Oh."

Here Donovan motioned Louis away, recording a knockdown. The referee counted one and then Max came out to resume fighting.

Louis smashed the foreigner at will. Right and left to the head, to the body, just a massacre.

Soon a vicious right to the jaw sent Schmeling to the canvas. He foolishly took only a three count. Doubtless he did not know what he was doing.

Another right to the jaw, and Max went down a third time, for a two count. It was not long thereafter that Joe delivered the quietus.

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THE punch by punch story of those two minutes packs some of the most thrilling drama in the history of heavyweight fighting. Here is the one-round story:

Louis came out of his corner quickly and wasted little time springing at his foe. He lashed out with two lefts to the face and cracked a right to the jaw. Schmeling tagged the jaw with a right, but the punch seemingly had no effect on the champion.

The challenger hooked a left to the head and took a left to the body in return. Louis drove Schmeling to the ropes with fusillade of rights and lefts to the head. The latter was absorbing punishment about the body without being able to lift a hand in his own defense.

Referee Donovan stepped between them, as if to stop the slaughter, but did nothing but wave Louis back to mid-ring.

Puzzled for a second or two, Louis returned to the attack on shouts from his corner and crashed a right to Schmeling's jaw, flooring him for a count of three. The German arose shakily and was submitted to a heavy body fire before taking another right to the jaw, a punch which put him down for only one second.

Rubber-legged and glassy-eyed, the gallant German fought to hold off his tormentor, but Louis shot both hands to the body with crushing force, drove a sharp left hook to the jaw, then fired a right to the chin that felled Schmeling once more. The challenger's instinct drove him to drag himself to all fours, but further he could not move.

The count had reached three when Max Machon, Schmeling's trainer, tossed in the towel to signal defeat. At eight Referee Donovan waved his hands to signal the end of the battle. The round had gone 2 minutes 4 seconds.

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THERE were 80,000 persons in the Stadium that night and they paid $900,000 to see less than one round of action.

Neither the onlookers nor the experts in the press rows realized how badly the German had been beaten. They took Schmeling to Polytechnic Hospital, suffering from a slight paralysis which Max said had come after a blow to the kidneys.

However, the fact remained that the man who two years before had knocked out the Negro, delivered only one punch, a short right to the face, in the second encounter.

The next day the fistic world said, "This Louis man might have beaten Dempsey in his prime."

Over the cables came the word from Berlin, "Germany is sad. Der Fuehrer is horrified."

Not sad enough, not horrified enough. For them the real payoff was to be much more sad than Max Schmeling's two-minute knockout by a Negro. The saddest kayo came in 1945.

CANADIANS STAR *in* HUB

By MARK FANNON

Jack "Spider" Armstrong, winner of the New England featherweight title.

AN aged and ringwise veteran is currently the talk of Boston. Jack "Spider" Armstrong, Toronto, became the town topic of discussion by recently whipping one of Boston's favorite sons, Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, stiff-punching New England featherweight titlist.

Before a brimming crowd at Mechanics' Building, Armstrong, cool, determined and deadly accurate, meted out a severe ten-round drubbing to game young Hayes in a non-title feature.

Billy Zaduk, a Toronto southpaw.

Though a comparative newcomer to the squared circle, Buddy in a little over a year's time has battled every topnotcher in sight to become the New England featherweight kingpin. The kid earned his prize the hard way. Dead game and possessor of a sock, Buddy, by knocking out Tommy Moore and winning over Jackie Harris, gave Boston boxing a shot in the arm.

The featherweight class is the one to see in New England for action, for besides Pep and Bartolo there are such colorful lads as Armstrong, Hayes, Pat Brady, Jackie Harris, Nick Stato, Tommy Greb, Leo Mucucci and Steve Kronis—all closely matched as to ability.

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SPIDER ARMSTRONG started his pro career in England, the land of good feathers. Then in 1937 he went back to Toronto, his home. In his second match there he stopped Georgie Pace, who, you will remember, was considered bantam champ of the States around that time.

During his glove tossing career, the "Spider" has fought 326 fights in all, having won, in different rings, the North American flyweight and bantamweight titles in the amateurs, and the Canadian bantamweight and featherweight crowns in the professional field. In fact, he is still recognized as the featherweight champion of the Dominion. In the Canadian forces during the war, he was with the Bockton Rifles Regiment.

In 1939 and 1940, the "Spider" enjoyed his best years in the ring, getting recognition as one of the ten best feathers in the world. This was based, no doubt, on his fine showing with Harry Jeffra, when they battled for the world's championship. The decision was too close for comfort, with the "Spider" losing the 15-round nod. Knocking out Texas Lee Harper, Lou Transparenti, Darse Robertson, and beating Davey Crawford, George Salamone, Tony Dupre, and holding Bobby Ivy to a draw, were his standout achievements.

After holding Ivy to another draw, the "Spider" lost a few to such gentlemen as Bartolo, Pep, Speary, Carto and Pat Brady. Now, after a series of impressive bouts —17, in fact, winning 16, losing one—Armstrong is again boxing sharply and hitting hard. His aggressiveness, cleverness, cagyness, and two-fisted hitting, have the fans all for him. The Toronto campaigner has been boxing in Boston for 10 months. Had he been here another two months, he would have been eligible to battle Hayes for the crown.

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IN New England it seems that half the boxers hail from Toronto. The invasion by our Northern neighbors has made the game in Boston and Maine more interesting. One of the men responsible for this new talent is Cliff McWhirter, former Texas featherweight champ, who manages Armstrong. He also guides Irish Bob Flanagan, Beverly Carter, Billy Zaduk and Steve Bellus.

Flanagan has made a hit in Boston on his name alone—Boston, where they still drool when you mention John L. Sullivan. This popular 18-year-old Toronto lad's record to date is 26 bouts with one loss. The Irishmen really howled with glee when Bob recently redeemed himself by stopping Eddie Soares, the only man to beat him. Soares is a former Rhode Island Golden Gloves champ and the manner in which counter-punching Flanagan won the Providence match is making the promoters smile.

Billy Zaduk, also of Toronto and a southpaw, is 19 years of age and since his pro debut in September, 1945, has lost but one scrap. That experience came when he was stopped by Floriant Desmarais, the Manchester bear. Billy was ahead, was tagged on the chin, fell flat on the back of his head—and the ring floor won!

This was the first time that Billy had been floored. Zaduk was undefeated in the amateurs, winning the amateur lightweight title of Canada in the process. Training hard, the healthy walloping Zaduk is out for a return match with Desmarais.

Beverly Carter, Toronto, came down to give high ranking Ernie Forte a close go at Salem. Then the Negro speedster stopped Jackie Lewis of Philadelphia, without too much effort. Carter weighs 145.

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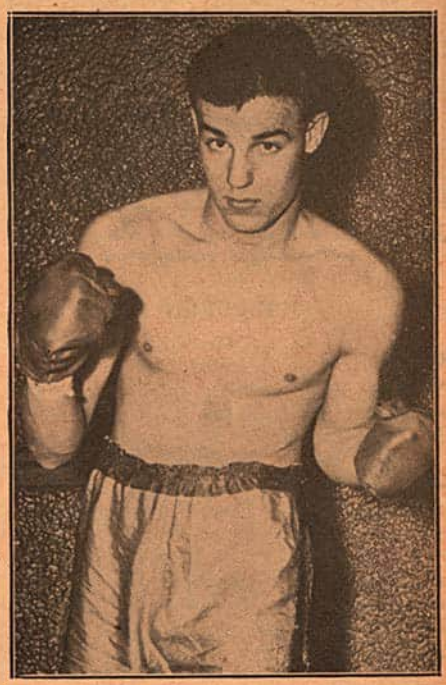

Irish Bob Flanagan, popular 18-year-old Toronto fighter.

THE CROWD-PLEASERS

By EDDIE MERRILL

Joe Curcio one of New Jersey's foremost welterweight contenders.

JOE CURCIO

A LITTLE over a year ago, THE RING in a feature article entitled, "Making Rapid Strides," published a short story and photo of Joe Curcio, Newark, N. J., welterweight.

Today, Curcio, who has been bowling over all opposition in sensational style, is regarded as the Skeeter State's leading welterweight contender.

Curcio was born in Boston, Mass., but moved to Newark at an early age and was educated in that city's schools, where he earned athletic letters in football, baseball and track.

Later he became interested in boxing and fought as an amateur, engaging in only ten contests. Under the direction of John Napurano, who still manages him, he turned pro. Curcio compiled a sparkling record of numerous consecutive victories until Tony Riccio copped a disputed decision in Madison Square Garden.

Joe has defeated outstanding fighters like Fritzie Zivic, Freddie Archer, Aaron Perry, Johnny Green, Johnny Ryan and Jerry Fiorello. Curcio served in the Navy, from which branch of service he received an honorable discharge.

Curcio, a southpaw, really earned welterweight contender ranking by his fine victory over Cecil Hudson recently. Hudson had taken New York by storm in defeating Fritzie Zivic and sensationally knocking out Red Doty. The colorful protege of Henry Armstrong and Curcio really winged punches without letup for ten torrid rounds, with Joe proving his mettle by standing up to the best right-hand shots of the California clouter.

Curcio now looms as the outstanding southpaw slugger to hit the fistic headlines since Melio Bettina came roaring out of Beacon, N. Y., to cop the light-heavyweight title.

Other great left-handed hitters who made boxing history include the immortal Lew Tendler, Al McCoy, Lou Brouillard and Bud Taylor, the Terre Haute Terror.

Eddie Lander, classy Chicago lightweight, recently discharged from the Coast Guard.

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EDDIE LANDER

HIS career interrupted by a three-year hitch in the Coast Guard, classy Eddie Lander, Chicago lightweight, has swung back into action, winning three of his four comeback starts. The lone loss was to high-ranking Dave Castilloux, the clever Canuck, which is no disgrace.

Leroy Jackson, featherweight contender from Cleveland, O.

Now 26 years old, Lander, a five-foot five-inch bundle of fistic energy, was a young phenom around the Windy City some six years ago. Before he had reached his 20th birthday, Eddie had met and defeated good, seasoned scrappers like Henry Huerta, Henry Hook, Nick Camarata, Jimmy Perrin and Jimmy Lancaster.

Other good battlers Lander faced include the clever Frankie Kid Covelli, with whom he fought a draw, Pete Lello, when that worthy was at his peak, and Bobby Ruffin. New York fight followers caught a glimpse of the smooth-working Lander when he invaded the East to defeat the rugged Latin slugger, Guillermo Puentes, and upset the tough Terry Young.

In 49 contests, Lander has won 30 bouts,

Ramey McKnight, middleweight, a Nebraska scrapper with a good following.

dropped the duke 11 times, and finished even-stephen eight times.

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LEROY JACKSON

LEROY JACKSON, Cleveland featherweight contender, a former National A.A.U. champ, has made rapid strides in his two years of professional boxing. He lost a close decision to Freddie Russo, although he spotted Freddie four and one-half pounds. The referee gave Russo five rounds to Jackson's four. Jackson lost two hairline decisions to Jackie Graves. The referee and the judges voted Graves the winner each time by one point. Jackson floored Graves twice in the second bout and came close to kayoing Jackie in the first contest.

Jackson holds two wins over Pete Bolos, one by kayo; two kayo victories over Ted Christie; two one-sided victories over Angel Aviles and a decision over Mike Martyk.

Jackson scored knockouts over Paul Martinez, Jimmy Fox, Midge Mangine, Danny Russell, Mike Gravino, Al Pennino, Andy Pera and Lou Dell. He lost a close one to Juste Fontaine after scoring two knockdowns and being knocked down once himself. He was outweighed by six pounds.

Leroy is 21. He has won 21 of his 30 pro fights, 11 by the kayo route. He has never been knocked out. His manager, Phil Goldstein, was an outstanding fighter about 20 years ago.

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RAMEY McKNIGHT

RAMEY McKNIGHT, a 5 feet, 10½ inches, middleweight, has endeared himself to Omaha, Neb., fight fans with a string of seven consecutive wins. In his latest fight, a ten-round thriller against Jack Cramer, McKnight displayed loads of pluck and ring savvy.

The soft-spoken Ramey has also stopped Paul Nelson in one round; Mickey McInnis, three rounds; defeated Ted Newsome, while flooring him three times; beat Vince Gambill, and drew with Joe Hatfield in six. In a return go, McKnight won an eight-round decision.

The 23-year-old Irishman served for more than three years in the Marine Corps. Ramey was stationed at Cherry Point, N. C., and later went overseas as an aerial gunner.

McKnight is a native of Milwaukee, Wis., where he completed his high school education. He also attended Marquette University for two years. McKnight is managed by the dapper Danny Spunt.

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BILL PARSONS

BILL PARSONS, a sturdy Negro lad from Danville, Ill., with the shoulders and arms of a blacksmith, has firmly entrenched himself with Chicago fight fans

Bill Parsons, Danville, Ill., welterweight, a favorite with Mid-Western fans.

through his fierce style of aggressive slugging. Recently, despite a below-zero freeze, the Windy City clientele of clout packed the Marigold Gardens to watch Parsons speedily sock his way to victory over Gene Gudgill.

With added experience, Parsons, a welterweight, may yet hit the top brackets in his division. Thus far he has scored a knockout over Harvey Dubs, defeated him in a return go; and has also whipped Frankie Abrams, Sidney Miller, and came off the deck to hold O'Neill Bell to a draw.

Against the more polished fighters, Parsons has not fared so well, although he more than held his own with Jimmy Sherrer and the crack Mid-Westerner, Chuck Hunter, while dropping tough decisions.

About a month ago, Parsons once again bit off more than he could chew when he stepped in against Bob Montgomery, recognized as world's lightweight title holder by the New York State Boxing Commission. It was an overweight affair staged in New Orleans, with Monty copping a one-sided ten-round decision, although Billy tried hard all the way.

Win, lose or draw, it's his manner of milling that appeals to the crowd, and Parsons still reigns a great favorite at Marigold Gardens in Chicago.

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JOHNNY TAYLOR

RECENTLY in Miami, Bobby Britton took Eddie Steele in camp by stopping him in 12 rounds to win the middleweight championship of the South. But there is a fighter from Asheville, N. C., who feels he can take Britton into tow and relieve the Miamian of the crown. Johnny Taylor, 21-year-old Asheville clouter, is the lad and his record stamps him as a threat.

Taylor, tall and rangy, is strictly a service development. He had his first fight while with the 4th Infantry Division. Taking a deep interest in the sport, he continued in contests and won all but one, that being a draw against a more seasoned adversary. Taylor's biggest ambition then was to win a title in the 4th, and in the following year, 1941, he gained his wish. His service bouts showed 23 wins and a draw, quite a feat for one who learned the trade while shouldering a gun.

Johnny's pro career began in December, 1945, under the management of a former well-known Southern lightweight, Ted Ball, likewise from Asheville. Under care-

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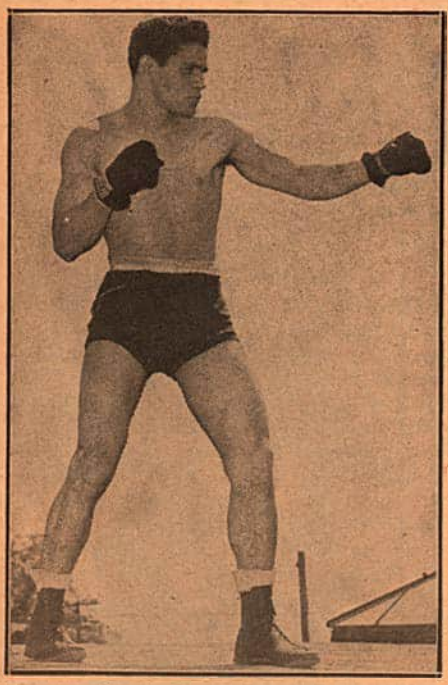
Johnny Taylor, Asheville, N. C., middleweight, who is making rapid strides. He has a long string of knockouts to his credit.

IN FISTIC SPOTLIGHT



Tommy Gomez, Tampa heavyweight, one of the toughest in the game.

TOMMY GOMEZ

THE postwar career of ex-Sgt. Tommy Gomez, valiant Tampa, Fla., heavyweight hope, moves along smoothly in keeping pace with the current smart progress of our Southern pugilistic lights. The amazing Spanish-American "cracker" is batting, and "batting" is the word for it, .1000 in the fighting loop, having scored three knockouts in as many contests. A wearer of the Purple Heart, Tommy bears the scars of sixteen assorted bullet and shrapnel wounds!

Prior to his being torn by enemy metal during the Yank crossing of the Ruhr, Tommy's cruel hooking attack had given him a record of 37 knockouts in an even fifty professional contests. Now, at 25 years of age, Gomez is a more mature, more assured and confident ring general. Upon his return to the States, he dumbfounded news reporters by claiming that his injuries had made him a better man in the ring. Tommy's claim that the wounds in his arms, back, chest and legs made him more "relaxed" may be pooh-poohed by the medical world, but—well, look at the record!

On December 4 of last year, he stopped the seasoned Johnny Denson in seven rounds. Then he put the skids under Lou Thomas in four on December 21 and on January 29 of this year, he kayoed Big Ben Moroz in six sessions.

In re that last Gomez victory, a few details. Moroz, the six foot eleven inch giant, held 117 pounds weight advantage over his comparatively pint-sized Tampa adversary. In charge of the fight from the opening gong. Gomez kept the sizable throng of fans in wild, stand-on-the-chair excitement with the sheer truculence of his two-handed drive. A collection of battering left hooks to the chin sent Moroz to slumberland in the sixth round.

Please curb those snickers should you read any future press releases from down Dixie way concerning a "Southern Dempsey"!

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BUDDY SCOTT

BUDDY SCOTT, claimant of the southern heavyweight title, received his discharge from the Bainbridge Naval Separation Center a few weeks ago after which he spent two weeks at Jacksonville Beach before hitting the heavyweight trail once again.

Buddy, weighing about 190 pounds, working out with the Commodore boxers at Jacksonville, kept in fine condition during his Navy stay and is now ready for heavy action.

The southerner in over 100 professional gos, has scored a total of 86 wins and has had six draw bouts, one of which was with Lou Nova. Bob Pastor scored three of the victories over Scott, in Washington, Detroit and Dallas. In the Washington bout, Buddy floored Pastor only to have the New Yorker come back and gain the decision.

Buddy is anxious to get a return go with Bivins. The eyes of southern gobs will be focused on the southern champion as he resumes boxing. During his stay at Bainbridge, Buddy became one of the most popular sailors on the base.

Buddy at one time was rated as the seventh best heavy in the business and in the past has fought such outstanding fighters as Bob Pastor, Lou Nova, Gunnar Barlund, Tony Musto, Jimmy Bivins and Tommy Gomez.

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GORDON MACKIE

GORDON MACKIE, a 22-year-old 160-pounder, is the first of the younger crop of Canadian prospects to make headway in the middleweight ranks. Thus far, Mackie has had four fights in Montreal and has won them all. Gordon has scored two kayoes.

Sugar Ray Delgado, a good Tampa drawing card.

Mackie spent four and a half years in the Royal Canadian Navy. He served on corvettes and destroyers, making numerous trips back and forth across the Atlantic. Upon several occasions when Mackie's boat docked at Eastern Canadian ports, the lad from Winnipeg entered service tournaments and won ten of twelve such bouts.

His manager Paul Schiffer intends bringing Mackie to New York shortly.

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"SUGAR RAY" DELGADO

"SUGAR RAY" DELGADO, a Havana, Cuba, nineteen-year-old youngster, who has been in this country less than three months, has become the best drawing card in Tampa, Florida.

Delgado made his debut in Tampa against the Canadian, Billy Carroll, and came through with flying colors knocking Billy down eight times before flattening him in the fourth. Later, Ray beat Sammy Andrade, the tough Mexican, in a ten-rounder. Delgado also knocked out Young Perry, Johnny Janiero, Charlie Morrison, and "Pee Wee" Flores. The Flores bout was a return go, "Pee Wee" having whipped the Cuban in a previous fray.

Delgado travelled to New Orleans recently and lost an unpopular decision to Augie Lapara. Ray is a protege of Kid Chocolate, but is now handled by Pete Andrew, Tampa fight pilot.

Ed Barnett, former Jacksonville tar who hails from Roanoke, Va. He is back as a civilian and ready for pro action.

Buddy Scott, southern heavyweight, recently released from Navy.

GEORGIE SMALL

A FORMER circus strong man and weight lifter, Georgie Small, of Brooklyn, may become one of the most unique personalities ever to gain prominence in the ring if his record of nine wins in ten pro starts is any criterion.

Born in the tenement slum section of Brownsville where a youngster has to fight for his survival, Small, a victim of many shellackings by older and bigger bullies, turned to weight lifting and body building exercises as a means of physical development and self protection. Soon, Georgie was so adept with the bar bells and weights that he entered many A.A.U. meets in competition against the best lifters in the sport.

Later, although he was a youth of only eighteen, he toured the United States as a strongman protege of Joseph Greenstein, a famed showman who performed under the name of "The Mighty Atom."

Returning to Brooklyn, Small opened up a neighborhood gymnasium, then sold it to devote his time to personal achievement as a physical culturist. One of Georgie's pet theories was that a weight lifter need not appear to be muscle bound and look cumbersome, and that boxing could be made an important part of a body building regimen.

Invading Beecher's Gym in Brooklyn, he donned the gloves with some of the better amateur and pro boxers who trained there. His natural skill soon attracted the attention of Stanley Joss, young boxing manager, who finally convinced him to give professional boxing a whirl.

The only man to defeat Small thus far is Ruby Roberts, a fairly good middleweight. A return match with Roberts is, of course, No. 1 on the list of Georgie's immediate ambitions.

"Why do I like boxing?" he asked in reply to a query.

Small seemed all wound up for a lengthy discussion of the glamour of the ring, the fame and glory. Instead the youngster's answer was candidly frank and to the point.

"That's where the dough is," he answered. "My mind is made up to earn as much of it as my ability permits, after which I want to go into a business of my own."

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EDDIE BARNETT

EDDIE BARNETT, popular Roanoke, Va., lightweight boxer, has been released from the Navy at Jacksonville, Florida, where he served and is taking his professional wares to Chris Dundee, an outstanding fight manager, to exhibit. Barnett is one of the top mittmen to come out of the Gateway City's great naval station. He is Georgie Abrams' chief protege, and the lightweight boxer hopes to make good in Chris' stable, as he did while in service, where he hung up a fine record.

Barnett started boxing in Jacksonville. He earned a specialist's job, teaching the sport to others at the station.

IN OUR QUESTION BOX

Frank E. Slevin, Boston, Mass.

Q.—Where can I write for information concerning tickets for the coming Joe Louis-Billy Conn heavyweight championship bout?

A.—Write to Mike Jacobs, Brill Bldg., 49th St. and Broadway, New York, New York.

Sal Lonnie, Fresno, California

Q.—From whom did Barney Ross win the welterweight championship of the world? Who defeated Ross for the welterweight title?

A.—Ross won the welterweight championship from Jimmy McLarnin and lost it to Henry Armstrong.

Lawrence Gable, Butte, Montana

Q.—Do you have any record on great differences in weight spotted to a fighter by his opponent?

A.—The greatest weight difference in a fight took place on April 3, 1902, when Bob Fitzsimmons spotted Ed Dunkhorst 140 pounds.

A Ring Reader

Q.—In your opinion will Joe Louis retire from the ring should he lose to Billy Conn? Where is Kid Chocolate now?

A.—Should Louis lose to Conn a return match is a certainty. I do not believe he will retire. Kid Chocolate is now in his native Cuba.

Less Huffman, Columbus, Ohio.

Q.—Several times during the past few weeks the referee has held up the hand of one fighter as the winner and then changed his mind and held up the hand of the other. Is there any rule that prevents such procedure? In Dayton the official held up the hand of Bobby McIntire then changed his decision and called the fight with Gene Spencer a draw. Can he, according to the rules, do that?

A.—Yes, so long as he is still in the ring there is no reason why if he made an error, he cannot correct himself. If he left the ring and the verdict were then changed, that would be a different matter. When a referee finds that he has incorrectly announced his verdict he is within his rights in making the correction.

Joseph LaBelle, Springfield, Mass.

Q.—Would you please let me know the ages of Joe Louis, Billy Conn and Tony Galento?

A.—Louis was born May 13th, 1914; Conn, Oct. 8th, 1917; Galento, Mar. 10th, 1909.

A. Novinsky, Los Angeles, Cal.

Q.—What is the present address of Max Schmeling?

A.—Berlin, Germany.

"Doc" Almy, Boston, Mass.

Q.—In the 1911 record of Monte Attell, is the date on the Phil Brock fight correct? Also, didn't Attell meet Al Delmont twice that year?

A.—Change date from "Apr. 10" to "Apr. 9" and add to record: Apr. 11—Al Delmont, Boston, L. 12; Apr. 18—Al Delmont, Boston, L. 12.

Walter Williams, Represa, Cal.

Q.—How many fighters are there in the light-heavy division by the name of Nate Bolden? Which one did Lloyd Marshall fight in 1944? What is his nationality?

A.—There is only one Nate Bolden on record. An American-Negro. Bolden fought Marshall in 1944.

Bill Schumann, Trenton, N. J.

Q.—Please tell me the nationality of Max Baer.

A.—Scotch-Irish-German-Hebrew.

A. S., Graterford, Penna.

Q.—How did the judges vote on the second Stolz-Joyce fight which took place Feb. 15th?

A.—George Le Cron gave Joyce six rounds and Stolz four; Referee Benny Leonard had Stolz ahead five to four with one even; and Tom Gilfoyle voted 7-3 for Joyce. Decision to Joyce.

C. L. Barrow, Franklin, La.

Q.—What part of the body does exercise with a medicine ball develop? Will your book "How to Second and Manage a Boxer" teach enough to the reader to enable him to manage boxers? Is it necessary for a fighter to perform as an amateur first before being allowed to box professionally?

A.—The abdominal, shoulder, arm and chest muscles. Yes, providing some degree of experience in this field in already owned by the reader. No.

Daniel M. Sullivan, Steubenville, Ohio.

Q.—Did Beau Jack ever knock out Bob Montgomery?

A.—Beau Jack never knocked out Bob Montgomery.

Thomas Hayward, London, England.

Q.—Can I obtain from you, unbound, the war edition of THE RING for the years 1940, 1941 and 1942?

A.—Yes, with the exception of one or two copies. The price will be $4.50 per year including the mailing. Send a MONEY ORDER or Draft (not a Postal Order which cannot be exchanged here).

A Ring Reader

Q.—Where can I obtain a magazine that contains photos of current wrestlers?

A.—THE RING will continue to publish photos of all the current wrestlers in future issues.

Gordon Mackie, Canadian middleweight, recently discharged from the army.

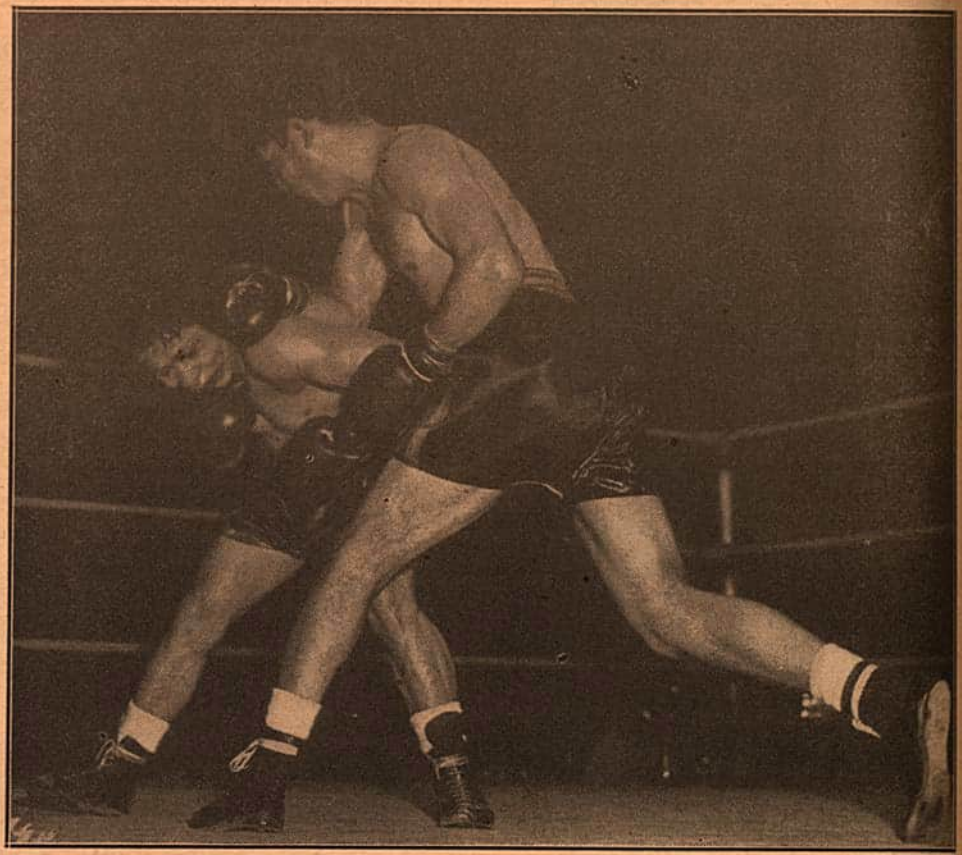
Haymakers Ended These Bouts

THREE thrilling knockouts in three different parts of the country catapulted Manuel Ortiz, Willie Pep and Joe Kahut into the fistic spotlight last month.

Ortiz, the world's bantamweight champion, who unhesitatingly takes on any and all challengers for his 118-pound bauble, turned in his usual workmanlike job as he battered Luis Castillo into submission in thirteen rounds at San Francisco.

The game Castillo, whom Ortiz stopped in 1944 in a previous title tilt, could not cope with the fierce punishment meted out by the El Centro, California, truck farmer. For Ortiz it was his eleventh title defence since he won the crown from Lou Salica on August 7, 1942.

Willie Pep, great little Hartford 126-pound kingpin, surprised a near capacity gathering at Madison Square Garden when he lashed out savagely with a left to the stomach of Jimmy McAllister in the second round of a ten-round non-title fight. McAllister, a sub for the ailing Sal Bartolo, had fought a bristling draw over the ten-round route with Wee Willie a few months earlier. Baltimore Jimmy seemed well on his way to fistic fame after a corking first round, when the lights went out as Pep landed his left.

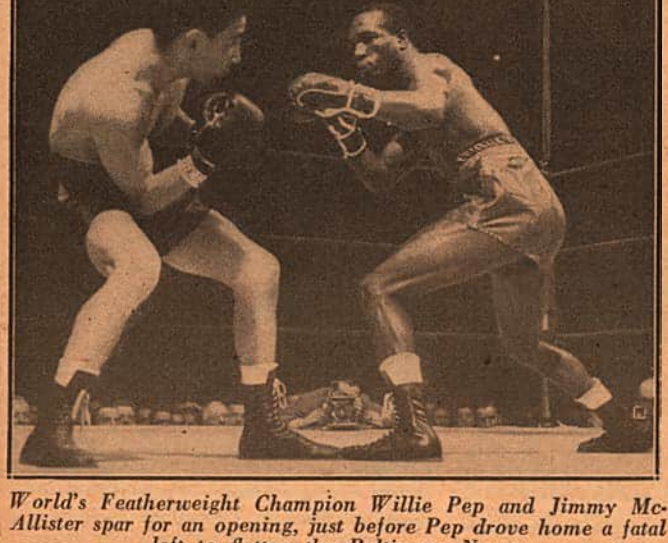


Luis Castillo sags helplessly into the ropes after Manuel Ortiz, bantamweight champion, battered him freely to stop him in the thirteenth round of a title fight. Ortiz received THE RING *belt from Nat Fleischer, the 122nd issued to title holders.*

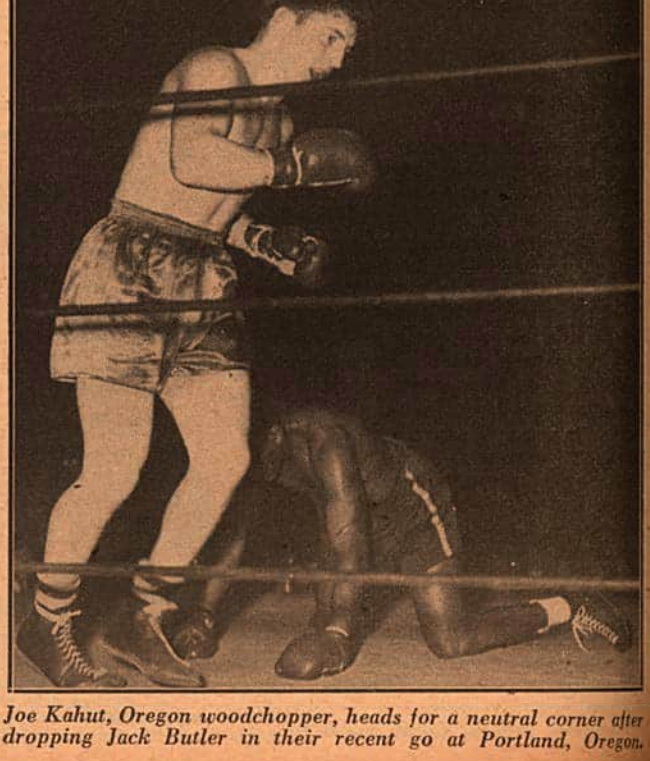
Not since Pep had reached the heights, did he show such hitting power as he did against McAllister. Never known by the fight fans as a clouter, he proved a surprise. By adding to his cleverness the punch soporific, the featherweight king can now take his place among the feather "greats."

Kahut, although not a titleholder, figures greatly in the current swim of things fistic. In flattening Jack Butler in sensational style in Portland, Oregon, Kahut put himself in line for many lucrative engagements.

Despite his knockout at the hands of Gus Lesnevich, several New York sportsmen, at the suggestion of Harry Grayson, Sports Editor of the N.E.A. Service, are eager to bring the Oregon Farmer to the Big City. They think that with powerful hitting to back him, he can take the measure of a number of headliners who are now parading before the public.



World's Featherweight Champion Willie Pep and Jimmy McAllister spar for an opening, just before Pep drove home a fatal left to flatten the Baltimore Negro.



Joe Kahut, Oregon woodchopper, heads for a neutral corner after dropping Jack Butler in their recent go at Portland, Oregon.

NEWS *of the* MAT WORLD

By "STANLEY"

Man Mountain Dean, who is back in action.

THERE is a lot of talk going around these days that wrestling will return to Madison Square Garden. Promoters in the East are banding together in an effort to put the idea over and return the mat sport to the high position it held about fifteen years ago. There is no doubt that should shows be staged weekly in the great palace of sock, wrestling would get the much needed "shot in the arm" for which it has been waiting.

The last wrestling show held in the Garden took place in August, 1937. The matches were exciting and featured such star performers as Ed Don George, Ernie Dusek, Rudy Dusek and Danno O'Mahony. However, only 5,000 fans were present and it was a financial flop.

Since that setback wrestling in New York has been confined to the smaller clubs and has been reaping good profits for all concerned. Promoters have forgotten about August, 1937, and are looking back to 1931, 1932 and 1934 when wrestling was drawing as much as boxing in Madison Square Garden. Londos, Everett Marshall, Dick Shikat, Strangler Lewis and others of that era were the drawing cards and how they drew. The promoters feel that with all the star talent returning from the wars there is a splendid opportunity to bring the grunt and groan profession back to its 1934 level.

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JIM AUSTERI, a roughhouse villain, is back in the East packing every arena in which he performs. Austeri is a very clever matman who has a complete knowledge of the finer points of the game. Though small in stature he has defeated the best of the big boys.

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Chief Little Wolf, recently discharged from the army where he performed for service men, has returned to the mat. One of the most colorful wrestlers of them all, the Chief has always been a top drawing card no matter in what part of the country he shows.

Old Stanislaus Zbyszko, one of wrestling's all time greats, is now living a life of ease on his farm in Old Orchard, Maine. Zbyszko's mat career lasted over 40 years during which time he defeated some of the greatest wrestlers who ever drew on a pair of tights.

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Juan Humberto, the well built Mexican grappler, is performing on the West Coast. Juan started as a professional boxer and won the light heavyweight championship of Mexico. He then switched to wrestling and has met the best in the business.

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Benny Rosen, the Hebrew giant, is showing around New York where he is a good drawing card. Standing 6 feet 3 inches and tipping the scales at 225 pounds, Benny specializes in feats of strength that leave the fans gasping. Born in New York, he moved to the oil fields of Texas where he learned the art of wrestling and crowd pleasing.

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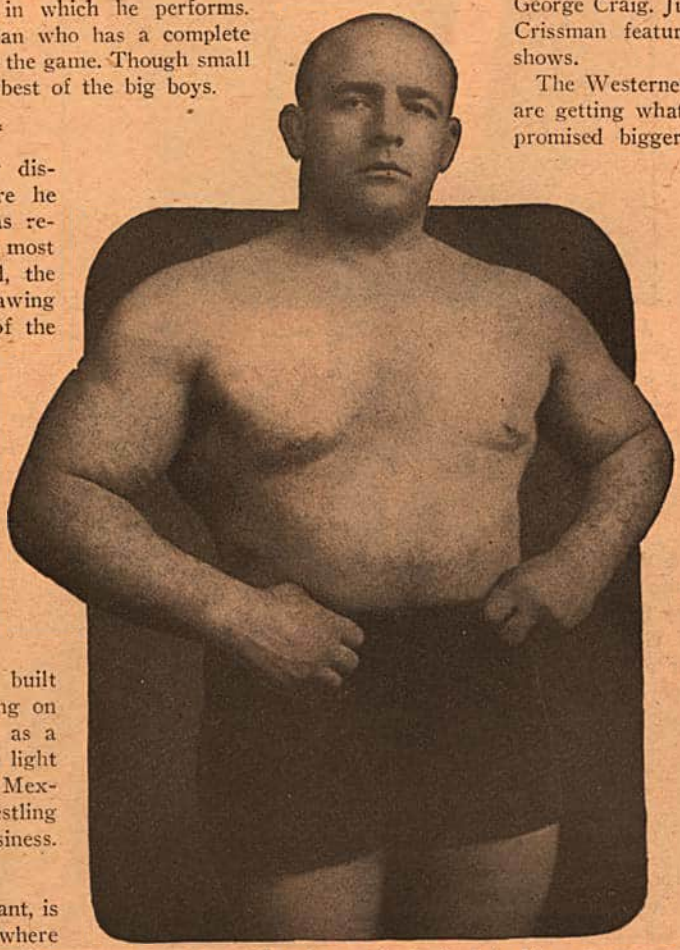

Stanislaus Zbyszko as he looked in his prime.

Chief Little Wolf, a colorful wrestler.

ANOTHER Garibaldi has come into the spotlight. The baby of the famous wrestling clan, Chick, has come into his own. Schooled by his older brother Gino, Chick is a very clever matman lacking none of his brother's color. Instead of brute strength, young Garibaldi depends on speed and a vast knowledge of scientific holds to pin his opponent's shoulders to the mat. Men like Chick Garibaldi, clean cut, and young, are what the modern wrestling fans want to see.

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In the Northeastern part of Colorado the town of Sterling has taken its place on the wrestling map. Shows promoted by H. G. Crissman of the V.F.W. are going over big. Crissman is importing some of the best talent in the country and the Rocky Mountain folks like what they see. Some of the matmen they have seen in action include Stanley Kerfoot, Tommy O'Toole, Mike Ryan, Hans Snable, Tom Zaharias, Babe Zaharias and George Craig. Just to break the monotony, Promoter Crissman features lady wrestlers on some of his shows.

The Westerners like their women rough and they are getting what they like. Sterling fans have been promised bigger and better things in 1946. They look forward to seeing in action, Jim Londos, John Pesek, Jack Kennedy, and Oki Shikina. What is happening in Sterling, Colorado, just goes to prove that the sport of grunt and groan is far from dead and that people in towns both large and small, will support good wrestling shows.

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A tough customer, who asks no quarter or gives none—that's Mike Red Ryan, the Irish wrestler.

No, not a champion, or a college graduate, just a mug who has barnstormed over the nation on Road Shows and Carnivals, meeting all comers.

He has campaigned mostly through the middle and southwest states, also the bayou country, up in the lake countries of Canada. He is colorful and shows plenty of action when in the ring, but is extremely mild when out.

He is one fellow who can take care of himself in a dark alley.

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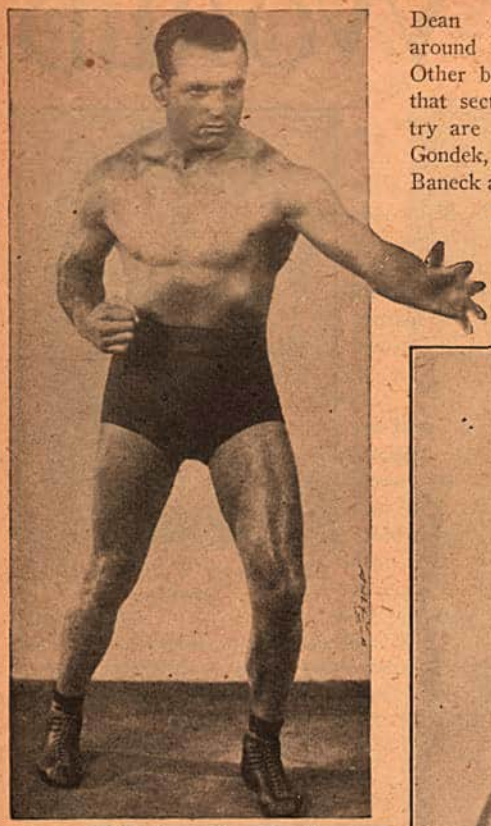
A pair of old timers Maurice (Angel) Tillet and Man Mountain



George K.O. Koverly, who has invaded the East with his roughhouse tactics.

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ANOTHER section of the country that has been supporting the mat sport beyond expectations, is Texas. Shows in Dallas, Houston, and Fort Worth are packing them in. Folks in that part of the nation are used to rough sport such as can be seen at a rodeo and the grapplers are forced to the limit to please the mob.

Such capable performers as Bobby Managoff, Dave Levin and Babe Sharkey have been giving the fans in the Lone Star state what they want to see. Managoff is the local favorite and the fans are very much attracted by his pleasing style.

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Leading boys around New York at the present time are Ed "Strangler" White, Golden Angel, Benito Gardini, Ivan Kemaroff, Jim Wallis, Herbie Freedman, Stanley Sitkowski, Bob Herman, Lou Laird, the Dusek brothers, and George Macrisostas. The return to the East, after a three year absence, of George K.O. Koverly has been a boost for the sport. K.O., always a good showman, has met the best in the sport and has more than held his own.

The Dusek clan is scattered all over the country. With Rudy Dusek as the man at the helm, Wally, Ernie, Emil and Joe to back up the reputation of Rudy, the Duseks are among the best of the nation's drawing cards. With a Dusek booked, the fans are sure to be treated to a good evening's entertainment.

Ed (Don) George, former world's wrestling champion, who is now a civilian again, will probably take another fling at wrestling. . . . Big Ed is getting himself in shape again. . . . The former U. S. Navy commander has a big following in Buffalo and other cities where the grapple game is popular. . . . Jack Herman and Jerry Monahan conduct the best wrestling club in the country. . . . Every Friday night the Great Lakes club attracts a bumper house. . . . The big cards around here now are Frank Dean are wrestling around Milwaukee, Wis. Other boys competing in that section of the country are Joe Marsh, John Gondek, Cuttis Mack, Joe Baneck and Harold Starr.

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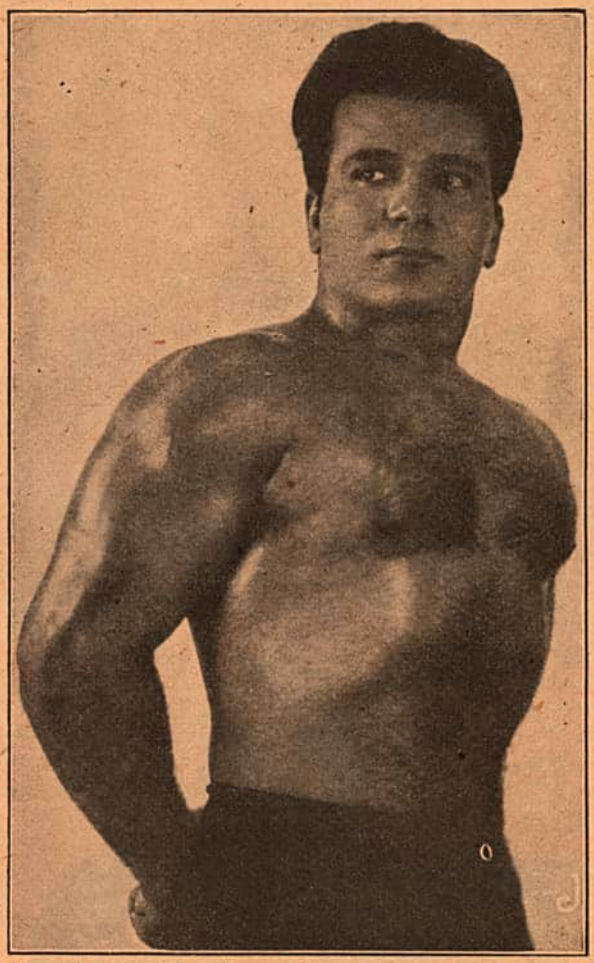

Jim Austeri, although small in stature, is able to cope with the best.

Ed Don George, who is contemplating a return to the mat wars.

Sexton and Slidin' Billy Watson. . . . The Angel and Iron Talun are also prime favorites.

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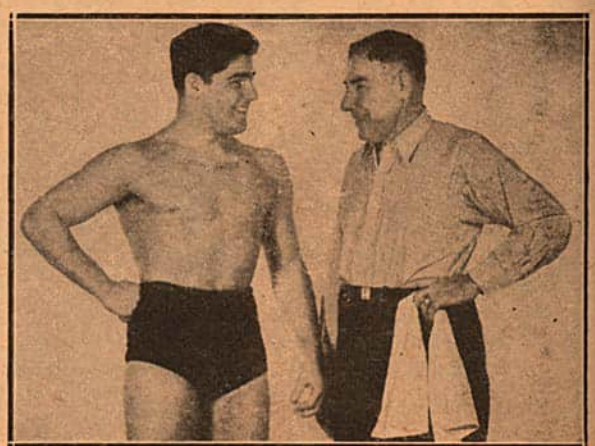
Another former star of the mat game has turned his attention to promoting. Karl Pojello. He is staging shows in and around Chicago. It is handy to have a wrestler as a promoter since he can always step in as a substitute if an emergency arises. Windy City mat fans welcome Pojello.

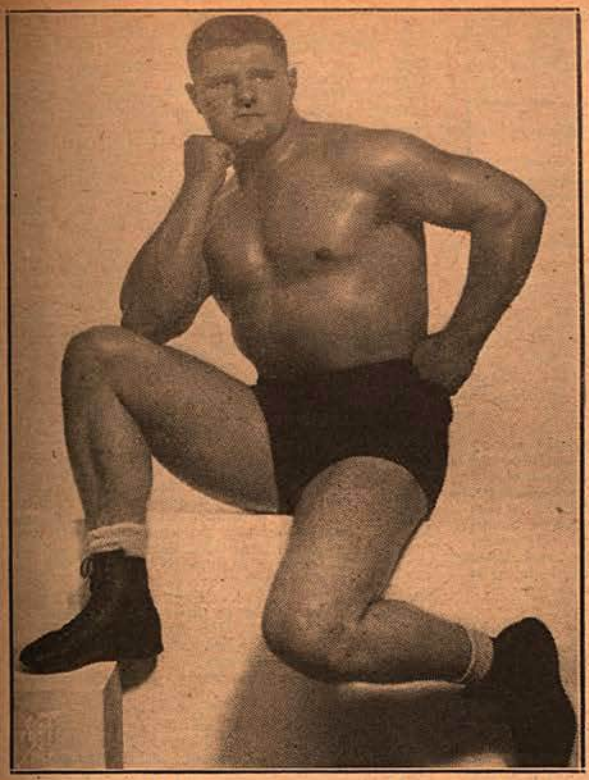
Some of the grapplers working for Karl are Abie Coleman, Don Marlin, Rudy Strongberg, Harold Starr, Joe Marsh, Black Spider, Seelie Samara, and last but far from least Maurice Tillet (The Angel).

Many persons have asked the question, "How can a man wrestle six times a week, take so many elbow smashes to the head and body and still live?" Wrestling is a very strenuous sport and it takes a well-trained athlete to keep up that pace.

The answer to this question, which so many of you have asked, is conditioning. Before a fighter goes into the ring, he trains daily for at least two weeks before the fight. A wrestler, however, differs in that instead of training in a gymnasium, he keeps fit and well conditioned by constant matches. All of us know that wrestling is billed as an "exhibition." But it takes a good athlete, well trained and alert, to put on a wrestling show.



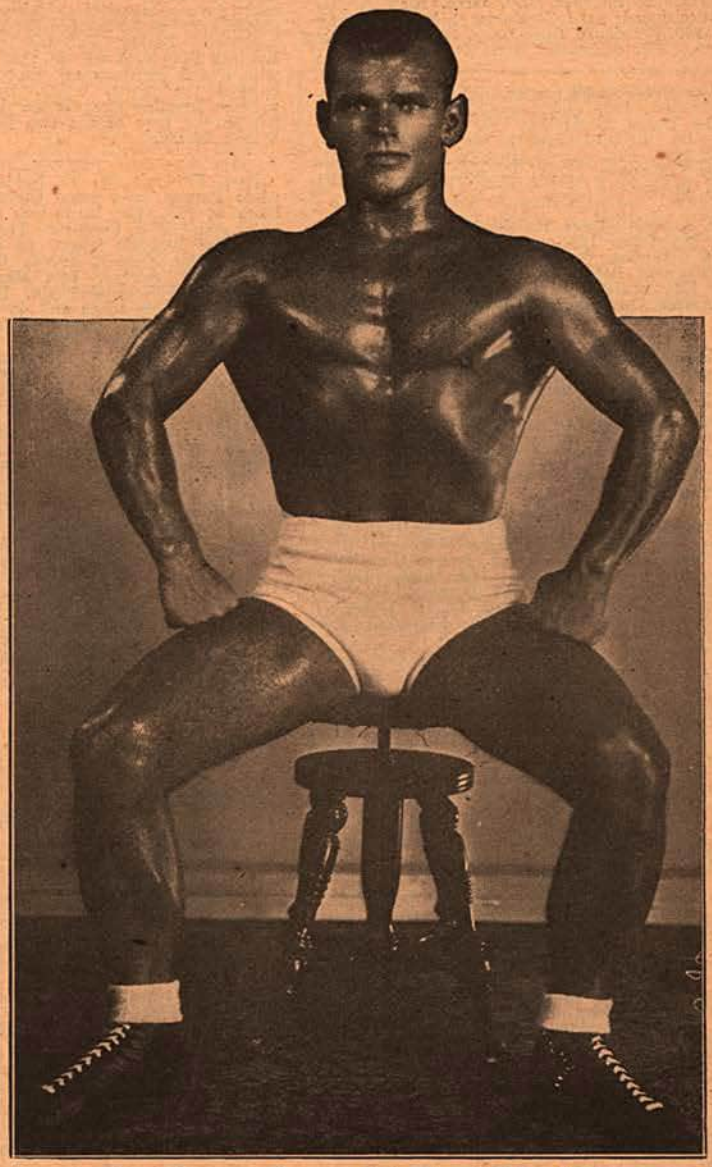
Bobby Managoff and his dad. Bobby is a Texas favorite.



Benny Rosen, Hebrew giant, now performing in New York and vicinity.

The famous Zaharias brothers. Left to right—Chris, George and Babe.

Juan Humberto, good Mexican grappler, now on West Coast.



Karol Krauser, the crowd-pleasing Polish Adonis.

NEWS OF TEXAS RINGS
By BILL DAVEE

IT looks like Texas has finally come up with a heavyweight who bids fair to grab a lot of fistic honors in the near future. He is Ben Johnson, hard punching young Houston belter, who although now only a light-heavy, is rapidly growing into the heavier division. Ben has compiled an enviable string of victories, most of them via the knockout route and is improving every fight. The past month saw him score kayoes over Buddy Thomas and Babe Saunders.

Houston promoters are staging a middleweight elimination of their own, with the view of pitting the eventual survivor against champion Tony Zale in a title match.

Manny Ortega, Tony Herrera's classy state featherweight champion, disposed of his most persistent challenger, when he flattened Juan Leanos in eight rounds. Tony Mar, San Antonio's favorite, continued his unbeaten string in the Alamo city when he belted out game Jack Larrimore in four.

Bill Plattsmier, hustling promoter who is putting Beaumont back on the fight map, sold out twice the past month, with Beltin' Ben Johnson as the attraction.

Boxing Results for February:

At Houston—Jordon Dick, 198, decisioned Jack Pierce, 191, four. Mike Balalam, 151, kayoed Howard Carr, 150, five. Jimmy McLaughlin, 160, kayoed John Riley, 165, four. Al Bernard, 159, decisioned Clay Rowan, 159, ten. Pat Saia, 151, decisioned Ben Evans, 149, ten.

San Antonio—Otho Slager, 135, decisioned Pedro Acosta, 132½, four. Mario Trigo, 129, kayoed Chick Sanchez, 129, three. Alex Arella, 156, decisioned Jake Stephens, 158, six. Rudy Cruz, 143, decisioned Billy Deeg, 148, eight. Tony Elizondo, 158, decisioned Artie Dorrell, 153, ten.

Galveston—Donnell Carter, 132, decisioned Robert Sanders, 130, four. Dan Archer, 135, decisioned Harry Silverberg, 135, four. Doug Gibson, 130, TKO'ed Matias Ruiz, 129¾, six. W. H. Hall, 186, kayoed Herbert Lane, 189, six. Johnny Villanueva, 128¼, Tkayoed Charles Abate, 131½, three.

San Antonio—Jesus Rodriguez, 122, decisioned Jesus Martinez, 123, six. Pedro Acosta, 132, kayoed Octaviano Garza, 133, two. Ben Johnson, 162, Tkayoed Babe Saunders, 161, six. Ramon Alva, 129, decisioned Mario Trigo, 130, eight. Kid Azteca, 149, decisioned Howell Steen, 152, ten.

El Paso—Juan Torres, 114¼, decisioned Roberto Diharce, 121½, four. Oswaldo Luis Romero, 123¾, decisioned Demetrio Moreno, 128, four. Ruben Salazar, 126, decisioned Manuel Marmolejo, 123, four. Antonio Montelongo, 141, kayoed Ernesto Zacatecas, 135, three. Samuel Andrade, 124½, kayoed Pedro Ibarra, 130¼, three. Manuel Ortega, 125, Tkayoed Juan Leanos, 125½, eight. Champ.

Houston—Pascaul Castillo, 143, decisioned Dan Archer, 134, four. Hubert Gray, 148, and Herschel Wallace, 148, drew, four. Jordon Dick, 194, decisioned Charles Pierce, 190, four. Henry Majcher, 142, kayoed Oliver Hamm, 149, two. Albert Bernardo, 157, kayoed Daniel Obregon, 163, two. Ruben Shank, 161, decisioned Pat Saia, 154, ten.

Lubbock—Antonio Montelongo, 141½, decisioned Ernesto Zacatecas, 140, four. Demetrio Moreno, 126, decisioned Luis Romero, 125, four. Eduardo Sarabia, 114, decisioned Jose Soto, 113½, six. Pedro Ibarra, 135, decisioned Isidro Blanco, 137, ten.

Beaumont—Otho Slager, 135, decisioned Pedro Acosta, 135, six. Albert Best, 158, decisioned Arnold Deer, 159, eight. Fernando Barja, 147, Tkayoed Oliver Hamm, 148, seven. Ben Johnson, 172, Tkayoed Buddy Thomas, 182, five.

San Antonio—Barry Maley, 170, kayoed Joe Becka, 159, one. Al Bourgeois, 140, kayoed Frankie Reyes, 135, three. Julio Cerna Rodriguez, 164, decisioned Alex Arella, 158½, six. Rudy Cruz, 140, kayoed Eddie Weller, 146, seven. Tony Mar, 134, kayoed Jack Larrimore, 140, four.

Houston—Jimmy McCall, 195, kayoed Willie Thompson, 202, two. Douglas Gibson, 134, decisioned Otho Slager, 135, six. Gordon House, 138½, kayoed Pedro Acosta, 135½, four. Tommy Charles, 177, decisioned Tom Attra, 176½, six. Tony Zale, 162, kayoed Bobby Claus, 161½, four.

El Paso—Roberto Diharce, 121½, decisioned Roberto Monroy, 121½, four. Ponciano Ledezma, 130, decisioned Demetrio Moreno, 127, four. Alberto Arratia, 124, decisioned Luis Romero, 122, four. Francisco Saucedo, 128½, decisioned Ruben Salazar, 128¾, four. Hector Marquez, 118, kayoed Alfonzo Lopez, 119, two. Ragon Kinney, 187, kayoed Don Brouillard, 184, three.

The Writer's address: 436 Moore Bldg., San Antonio, Texas.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By BILLY SHAW

RESUMPTION of outdoor professional boxing in Syracuse is being planned for the summer months, with no less than three different groups angling for the franchise. Paul Swiderski, Clarence Schindler and Billy Leonard, owners of Onondaga Sports, Inc., are likely to get a renewal of their license. Henny Andrews, whose club, Syracuse Sporting Enterprises, Inc., has not operated since the Tami Mauriello-Gunnar Barlund battle, which drew $15,000, is reported hot after a brand new license. The latest entry into the fistic promotional field is Babe Amos, who is heavily backed, and likely to obtain a license for Syracuse pro boxing.

Onondaga Sports, Inc., is a financially strong organization that started well, then ran into bad weather; they failed to begin their season early enough. Schindler, key man of this organization, has the inside track on MacArthur Stadium. Amos has another spot in mind. Where Andrews would operate, we do not profess to know. However, Henny is a smart business man and must have something in mind because he has been doing a lot of planning this past winter.

Syracuse's new Civic Sports Center is nearer to a reality than many people think. Local sports editors Lawrence Skiddy of the *Herald-Journal* and Bill Reddy of the *Post-Standard* are keeping the auditorium idea alive and it won't be long now!

Sam Nash, Sports Editor of the Binghamton *Sun*, described the result of the February 6 card at Bingo, as follows: "Frankie Best, a star-spangled war hero in a star-spangled setting, last night gave a beautiful exhibition of what a boxer should know as he slapped the taste out of equally handsome Buddy Patton's puffed mouth, in Kalurah Temple. A sell-out, standup crowd watched with mixed emotions as Announcer Bunk Smith hawked the count, which, from our point of vantage sounded like six for Best, two for Patton on the part of the two judges and Referee Wazzo Kocak."

Best, Fredonia, N. Y., light-heavy, scaled 175, while Patton, dead game Clevelander, tipped the beam at 177. The battle was one of the wildest ever seen in a Southern Tier ring with Best damaging Buddy's beauty no end. In the semi-final, Jackie Gaines, 152½, Cleveland, knocked out Miguel Arroyo, 149, Mexico City, in the second of a scheduled six. Both were on the floor and it was touch and go from scratch. The crowd was in a constant uproar during the encounter between Joey Miller, 134, Buffalo, and Tommy Daniels, 135, Pittsburgh. This one, a knockdown dragout affair terminated in 50 seconds, saw Miller the knockout winner.

Prelim results: Ruby Roberts, 159, Garfield, N. J., was awarded an unpopular duke over Johnny Sheppard, 150, Cleveland, in six. Sheppard did all the leading and was good inside. Harold Arrington, 131, Binghamton, knocked out Billy Gibbons, 131, Garfield, in the second of a slated four. Chuck Horton, 150, Johnson City, erased Ike Cunningham, 150, Binghamton, in two, with a right to the solar-plexus.

Carman DeJohn, Syracuse, middleweight star, scored a unanimous decision over Henry Jackson, 172½, Cleveland, at Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 15. Weighing 165, DeJohn floored his man four times in six rounds to annex his eighth consecutive victory as a pro. Six of Carman's wins, up to that time, were by the kayo method.

Binghamton presented another great show Feb. 13, when Tommy Mills, 140½, Valley Stream, L. I., knocked out Joe Miller, 140½, Buffalo, in 2:20 of the second round, a go scheduled for eight. The Mills youngster is a great favorite with Bingo fans and carried out the Miller execution masterfully. Jackie Gaines, 154½, Cleveland, met an icer in Sam Baroudi, 161, Akron, former National amateur king. Gaines fell victim to the Baroudi atom-punch in the fourth heat. Lee Sheppard, 144, talented Cleveland vet, lost to Young Chappie, stocky 144 pound Albany slugger, in a fast six. Bud Scouten, 142, Binghamton, decisioned Al Harrig, 146¼, Sherrill, in six mauling rounds. Harrig has been losing steadily, and needs a rest. Ike Cunningham, 154, Binghamton, took the nod over Joey Conrad, 149, New York, in four; while Chick Johnson, 127¼, Cleveland, beat Hal Arrington, 129, Binghamton, also four.

Irving Robbins, veteran Syracuse manager, has a sensational light-heavyweight in Stan Edwards, the Dark Destroyer. Edwards has been beating everything in sight. In his last start, March 6, at Binghamton, Stan defeated Irish Jimmy Mulligan of Lowell, Mass., in the eighth round windup at Kalurah Temple. If Edwards and Carman DeJohn keep up their winning ways, the two are bound to be a local natural for a summer outdoor show at MacArthur Stadium.

At Troy, March 4, Vinnie Vines, 157, Schenectady, banged out a close ten round decision over Stanley "Baby" Simms, 158, New York. Charlie Dotson, 161½, St. Louis, knocked out Nelson Hawkins, 163, slipping Cleveland boxer, in two rounds of the semi. Tommy Daniels, 136, Pittsburgh, outpointed Lee Sheppard, 143½, Cleveland, in six. Georgie Frederico, 163, Schenectady, decisioned Norris Fleet, 168, Garfield, N. J., in four rounds. A heavyweight opener showed Tony Gregg, 203, Schenectady, the winner over Johnny Willard, 201, Brooklyn, in four stanzas.

Boxers wishing to show their wares in Syracuse during the summer outdoor season are urged to contact the writer at 503 Fellows Avenue, Syracuse, New York. The Onondaga Sports Club figures to stage at least a half dozen shows this year. A picture and your record, will help.

LEFT-HOOKS—Utica has a new wrestling club known as the Olympic A.C., with Tommy Ruggiero the matchmaker. . . . The groaners are operating every Wednesday night at the Knights of Columbus hall and doing okay. . . . The outstanding RING magazine salesman in Syracuse, is Howard "Drop" Nehin, who handles the sales for Leo Branche's all-night drug store. . . . Doing very nicely, and a close runner-up is Peanuts Martin, who dispenses the squared circle news for Jimmy Alpert, at the latter's dazzling new store. . . . Alpert thinks Billy Conn will take Joe Louis' title this year, providing Billy is in top fighting trim. . . . Alpert likes Conn's youth and speed, but most of the local "experts" expect Louis to retain the crown. . . . Harold Victory has turned professional and is being handled by Dutch Stemmer. . . . Victory was an amateur lightweight champ and will battle for money as a welter. . . . Lloyd Welsh, Binghamton's matchmaking genius, who has done a great job in re-establishing boxing in the Southern Tier, is hot after some big summer matches for Johnson Field. . . . Johnny McIntyre, ex-Bingo promoter, is living in Florida. . . . Speaking of Florida, reminds us: Jackie Brady and Mary are doing handsomely in Miami, where the former local welterweight is operating a nifty gym. . . . Back in harness, Dewey Fragetta is making some good contacts and helping promoters all over the country book headliners. . . . Former Utica, N. Y., newspaperman, Fragetta has one of the biggest mailing lists of any manager in the business. . . . Prevented by the State Athletic Commission from trying a comeback, Busby Graham still keeps in trim by working out several times a week at a Utica gym. . . . Flooded with letters from service men requesting information regarding local boxers, we had to have our reply multigraphed. . . . Our closing sentence read: "Follow Syracuse boxing and boxers by reading THE RING every month." . . . We make it our job to carry all the news space allows, about the home town, in each issue of your favorite boxing publication.

American Jap Winner In Beloit Boxing Bout

FIGHT fans crowded the Armory at Beloit, Wis., to see a splendid fight card arranged by Milt Ellis. In the wind-up, Jerry "Little Galento" Pittro, 163, won a split decision over Jimmy Crow, 160, of Danville, in eight rounds. It was nip-and-tuck all the way with Pittro the aggressor and Crow landing the stiffest punches.

Hank O'Kura, 129½, American-born Jap, who saw service in Italy and who is managed by the former bantamweight champion, Johnny Coulon, stole the show in beating Butch Maxwell, 131, of Gary, in four. Ramey McKnight, 158, K.O.'ed Mickey McKinnis, 162, Danville, in 1:10 of the fourth round. Marty Collura, 148, Milwaukee, K.O.'ed Stanley Brikman, 152, Chicago, in 2:00 of round three. Dick Czerniak, 148, Milwaukee, stopped Buddy Maxwell, 144, Chicago, in 1:20 of round one, and Johnny Ortega, 138, Beloit, K.O.'ed Luke Alfano, 140, in 1:50 of round three.

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IN THE NEW JERSEY CORNER
By HARRY MANSBACH

FILBERTO OSARIO, 121, Puerto Rico, upset Jackie Floyd, 126, Philadelphia, in the main event at Convention Hall, Atlantic City. Billy Thompson, 166, Philadelphia, knocked out Billy Bengel, 161, Brooklyn, in the sixth round. Doug Ratford, 139, Brooklyn, stopped Buddy Freeman, 137, in the fifth round. Leon Braxton, 137, put away Johnny Parvia, 140, Boston, in the second round. This was the first show held in over 18 months, a sellout crowd of 1400 persons witnessed the bouts.

Norman Rubio, fighting for the first time since he became a civilian after nearly four years in the army, showed fair form in taking an eight-round decision over Ernest "Cat" Robinson, at the Laurel Gardens, Newark. Rubio had little difficulty winning Referee Joe Mangold's decision; though Robinson did make him fight his hardest to annex the verdict. Rubio weighed 150, and Robinson, 149, Freddie Yeager, 135, Stamford, won a sizzling six-round victory over Freddy Herman, 134, Elizabeth, in the semi-final. Freddy Menna, 154, N.Y.C., KO'ed Billy Ellison, 152, N.Y.C., in the second round.

This writer has compiled a complete listing of all New Jersey promoters, matchmakers, fight clubs, and their addresses and locations. Send twenty-five cents in coin or stamps and self-addressed envelope for list to Harry Mansbach, 37 Arlington St., Newark 2, N. J. Boxers who are willing to show around New Jersey and New York and have no managerial ties, can contact same address. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope and previous record, experience, weight, height, etc.

Frankie Poreda, 194, Jersey City, won by a technical knockout over Rex Wakefield, 180, N.Y.C., in the sixth round of a scheduled ten round boxing bout at the Skating Arena as professional boxing returned to Bergenfield after a 15 year lapse. Benny May, 122, Montreal, outpointed Wendell Douglas, 116, Bronx. Bill Johnson, 165, Brooklyn, stopped Lew Perez, Puerto Rico, 157, in the fourth round. Irish (Paddy) Kitt, 131, N.Y.C., outpointed Sam Zelman, 125, Brooklyn, in a six. Lou Langley, 120, N.Y.C., decisioned Jim Jeannette, 118, Louisville, in the opening four.

Ray Robinson, 147, N. Y., knocked out Tony Riccio, 155, Bayonne, at the Elizabeth Armory, in the fourth round. The bout was held for the benefit of the Infantile Paralysis Fund to which Robinson donated his entire purse. The gate was $17,000. Archie Stock, 134, Brooklyn, outpointed Oscar Williams, 136, N.Y.C., in six. Artie Towne, 152, N.Y., decisioned George Smith, 146, N.Y., in six. Georgie Martin, 137, N.Y., knocked out Sal Arredon, 134, Mexico City, in the second.

Dom Amoroso, 135, Jersey City, easily outpointed Joe Carney, 134, N.Y., in the main event of eight rounds at Jersey City Gardens. Pedro Cobe, 154, Puerto Rico, decisioned John Caruso, 154, Jersey City, in a semi-final eight rounder. George Martin, 133, N.Y., shortened a scheduled six rounder to a second round KO of Allie Simley, 135, Los Angeles. Nick Darby, 123, Jamaica, took a four round verdict from Al Rodriguez, 126, Puerto Rico.

Cleo Shans, Los Angeles, 140, outpointed Pedro Firpo, Camden, 133, before a capacity crowd of 3,000 who paid $4400 gross. Vince Lauria, 118, Camden, scored his 13th straight victory with a technical knockout over Pat Leonard, 123, Philadelphia, in the third. Earl Huff, 137, Haddonfield, outpointed Johnny Strawverry, 140, Philadelphia. Carl McFadden, 155, Camden, knocked out Mickey Vance, 161, Philadelphia, in the first round.

Freddy Dawson, Chicago lightweight, survived a pair of nine count knockdowns at the hands of Newark's hard hitting Charley Smith, to score a ten round decision in the feature bout at the Orange Armory. Near the close of the first round Smith leveled Dawson with a one-two that nearly put the Chicago boy to sleep. Again in the fifth Smith scored with a jolting left that floored Dawson for nine. Hendrie Rodera, 137, Mexico, defeated Joe Retoras, 136, Mexico, in a six. Frank Pucci, Montreal, 123, won by a TKO when Wendell Douglas failed to come up for the third round. J. C. Wilkins, 165, N.Y., stopped Dave Carver, 160, Bronx, in the second.

Frankie Leta, Irvington, 137, scored a seventh-round TKO over Freddie Russo, 134, Rahway, in the feature bout at Laurel Gardens, Newark. A badly sliced right eye cut by a flurry of blows in the fifth forced the boxing commission to halt the bout after the sixth round ended. Russo was ahead on points going into the last frame. He had Leta's right eye cut slightly in the first frame. Julie Cross, 154, and Nick Melli, 154, both of Brooklyn, drew in six. Basher Dean, 187, Newark, technically stopped Dick Tracy, 194, N.Y. Danny Williams, 141, Newark, outpointed Cliff Cardin, 147, N.Y., in four, and Wally Regan, 151, Newark, decisioned Harold Barsky, 150, Brooklyn, in four.

Norman Rubio, 152, Albany, won the ten round decision over Danny Martin, 152, Newark, in the feature bout at the Orange Armory, before a capacity crowd. Joe Marmo, 137, Paterson, upset Al Marrone, 134, Montville. Jackie Lynn, 123, Newark, won over Joe Valitin, 124, Puerto Rico, in a six. Lionel Johnson, 149, Brooklyn, outpointed Tony Ryles, 152, Paterson.

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY
By MAX YEARGAIN

THE Kansas City *Star's* Golden Gloves tournament, which was composed of 200 novice and open class fighters from Missouri, Kansas and Arkansas, came to a successful close with the crowning of eight champions. The four nights of fighting attracted a new record, a total of more than 30,500 fans, with 12,000 filling Municipal Auditorium the final night of February 17, for the crowning of the titleholders. Here are how the titles were won:

112 pound class—Keith Nuttall, Brigham City, Utah, won by TKO over Victor Gomez, Kansas City, Kan., one.

118 pound class—James Lunn, Kansas City, decisioned Ray Lee, Kansas City.

126 pound class—Bobby Jarvis, Kansas City, decisioned Floyd Perry, Kansas City.

135 pound class—Joe Rima, Kansas City, decisioned Sidney Caples, Kansas City.

147 pound class—Charles Harris, Camp Crowder, Mo., decisioned Don Pennell, Kansas City, Kan.

160 pound class—Raymond Young, Kansas City, decisioned Warren Daniels, Topeka, Kan.

175 pound class—Ray McCoy, Kansas City, decisioned Earl Wenbourne, Hutchinson, Kan.

Heavyweights—Wayne Choate, Fort Smith, Ark., decisioned Arnold McAlpine, Kansas City.

On March 8, Keith Nuttall, pupil of Henry Armstrong and winner of the 112-pound Kansas City Golden Gloves championship, won the Chicago tournament.

Roy Miller, Henry Armstrong's protege forged ahead in the middleweight division by scoring a TKO over Ray Spurlock in the fifth round of a scheduled ten round fight at the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City before 5,760 fans who paid $11,639 to see the scrap. On the supporting bouts, Levi Southall, Kansas City welterweight, scored his fourth knockout in five scraps, stopping Bob Nichols of Cincinnati in the initial round. Frankie Rivera, Missouri bantamweight, decisioned Joey Palmo, Cincinnati, in six.

Professional boxing returned to Wichita at the Forum, on February 27, under the direction of Homer Mosley and more than 3,000 fans saw handsome Al Velez, 173½, kayo Eddie Williams, 172, St. Louis, Mo., in the fifth round of the main event. Jack Lyon, 176, Oklahoma City, decisioned Jimmy Marshall, 166, in six rounds. Sonny Gomez, 122, Juarez, decisioned Oliver Johnson, 131, St. Louis, in six. Joey Martinez, 150, Juarez knocked out J. R. Winkle, 147, Oklahoma City, in the second. Jake Stephens, 160, knocked out Henry Chuckoluck, 161, St. Louis, five. Rata Soto, Mexico City flyweight, decisioned Baby Galla, 112 San Antonio, five.

The second pro fight card in Wichita, March 6, saw Al Velez, the sensation of the middle west, win his 39th straight knockout, stopping Harvey Moore, St. Louis light-heavyweight, in just one minute, ten seconds, with 2,500 looking on. Velez has never been defeated, was Los Angeles Golden Gloves champion and Southwestern AAU light-heavy king before turning pro.

In the supporting bouts: 160 pound—Ora Smith, St. Louis, decisioned Joe Martinez in six. 150 pound—Vince Gambill, Kansas City, decisioned the veteran Benny Evans, Oklahoma City, in six. 175 pound—Amado Rodriquez, Mexico City, decisioned Jim Marshall, St. Louis, in six. Junior Washington, classy light-heavyweight from the Enid, Okla., army air field, stopped Derby Dan, of Chicago, in three.

During the past month this writer has traveled many miles, looking in on fights in different cities and it's seldom we get excited over a prospect, but such was the case when he saw Homer Mosley's Al Velez. Recently discharged from the army, Velez's real name is Quijano. He was the sensation of last year's Golden Gloves championship as he sped his way through the 175-pound division with a series of quick victories. Not until after the New York-Chicago inter-city matches was it discovered that he had fought for pay at El Paso, his home town. Al has 38 straight wins, 25 of them by the kayo route. He's our nomination for THE RING Editor's "Prospect of the Month."

At the Kansas City Municipal Auditorium, February 5, Ruben Shank, Jewish middleweight, and Roy Miller, Kansas City Negro sensation, fought ten rounds to a draw before 6,082, who paid a net gate of $11,711.59 to witness the shindig. Ringsiders and galleryites alike were as divided as the officials after the Colorado cowboy and Miller were halted by the final gong. It was a great fight.

In the other bouts, Vince Gambill, 149, Kansas City, kayoed Li'l Abner, 150, Kansas City, Kan., first round. Frankie Rivera, 121, Kansas City, stopped Charley Stacker, 125, St. Louis, first round. Elmer Carson, 150, Kansas City, outpointed Curley Denton, 161, Cincinnati. Levi Southall, 146, Kansas City, Kan., outpointed Nucio Ferraro, 143, Milwaukee. Billy Reed, 131, Indianapolis, decisioned Charley Dent, 132, Leavenworth, Kan.

A fair sized crowd saw Levi Southall, 145, Kansas City, score a TKO over Johnny Roszina, Milwaukee, in the seventh, at Memorial Hall, Kansas City, Kan., March 5. Bob Davis, known in the East as Benny Daniels, 138, scored a technical kayo over Louis Lopez, 139, in the third, the doctor stopping the fight because of a badly cut eye sustained by the Wichitan.

Vert Gibson, 147, Kansas City, stopped Al Lindsay, Wichita, in the first round. Howard Jackson, 120, Kansas City, decisioned Rato Stot, Mexico City, 120, in six. Billy Reed, 130, Indianapolis, outpointed Rube Salazar, 130, Wichita, six. Bob Brown, 160, Kansas City, decisioned Lou Amayo, 169, Kansas City, Kan., in four.

Heard along cauliflower row: Babe Hunt, well known heavyweight and one of the greatest drawing cards the midwest ever had is now Oklahoma City's boxing promoter. Harry Eagles of St. Louis was appointed by officials of the American Legion as the matchmaker for fights to be held in Kansas City, Mo. This was announced by Harry A. Hodgins, president of Sports, Inc. Benny Evans who has had hundreds of fights is still fighting. In Des Moines, Pinkie George has the fans excited over Abel Cestac, Argentine heavyweight. Topeka, Kan., will have its first professional boxing show since the war during the month of March—your correspondent is doing the promoting.

Don't forget—Nat Fleischer's new 1946 Record Book—out on April 15. It contains 496 pages. It's the best $5.00 buy boxing men can make—15c should be added for insurance and postage. In closing I'm ordering mine. See you next month.

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HEARD AND SEEN IN MICHIGAN
By MICKEY McINTIRE

JOEY MAXIM, heavyweight protege of Jack Kearns, trounced Howard "Stormy" Williams in the ten round feature of Promoter Orville Godfrey's most recent show at Arena Gardens.

Godfrey had Art Price, D.S.R. bus driver, on top in several shows the past month. Price, hard hitting lightweight, made his outstanding performance in winning over "Lefty" LaChance. He dropped a decision to Bobby McQuillar.

O'Neill Bell, local welterweight, was the rage for a few months as he triumphed over "Sugar" Costner, California; Jackie Wilson and Fritzie Zivic. In his latest bout at Olympia, he received a two round knockout at the hands of Ray Robinson.

Before a capacity crowd at the Akron Armory, Bobby McIntire dropped a ten round decision to Tippy Larkin. McIntire crowded his foe continually, but Tippy's shifty, quick winging style carried him through a clear winner.

Hap Tucker, the boy promoter of Windsor, has a half interest in the Paul Revere A.C., which is a dandy gym located on Sproat St., just off Woodward. "Mac" McCullough and Tucker have their gym filled continually with hard working fighters, and seem to be doing fine.

Bobby McIntire went through a ten round headliner with Gene Spencer in Dayton, and was proclaimed the winner. Later they changed the official decision to a draw. It was Referee Tony Longo who voted against McIntire, and it would seem that Longo can obtain plenty of work as a wrestling referee.

Nick Londes has been showing nothing but champions in his Olympia headliners. He had Sal Bartolo who easily beat Paulie Jackson, and later Ike Williams who vanquished Ace Miller.

Bobby McIntire journeyed to Galveston, Tex., and returned singing the praises of all connected with the fight game in those parts. The promoter there is Lou Massoni, who is a great fellow, and McIntire did royally there. Everything was fine except the decision in his ten rounder with Henry Majcher. Ringsiders had the fight even at the end of eight rounds, and when McIntire took the last two, it seemed he had an edge, but the verdict favored the youthful Pittsburgh Pole.

Harold Thomas, game and aggressive Syrian belter, has been active from time to time in rings around the country. Harold is a rough going fellow, with a good punch, but lack of condition prevents him from scaling the heights.

Canadians Star in Hub

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PUNCHIN' PAUL KING, rangy middleweight, now fighting in Boston, hails from Quebec. Paul lost his first pro bout to Bill Landry, tough light-heavy of Worcester, but in losing showed possibilities by the manner in which he handled himself.

King was runner-up for the Golden Gloves middleweight title in Buffalo in 1939. In 1941, the Army called him and made him a paratrooper. He saw action in the invasions of Sicily, Anzio, Holland, the Belgian Bulge, Italy and Germany. While in the service, Paul kept up his boxing, improving himself noticeably by fighting 35 bouts against varied opposition. In 1941, he won the middleweight title of Fort Eustis, Virginia. In France and England, he just missed two titles when he was nosed out in the 82nd Airborne Division light-heavyweight championships, and again in the 17th Airborne Division in the 175-pound class.

Crowd-Pleasers

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ful tutelage, Taylor learned the tricks of the trade and was ready to face good opposition. Taylor squared off with Randy Brock in Knoxville, Tenn., and Brock was knocked out in two rounds. In Middlesboro, Ky., Georgie Mears felt the dynamite-laden fists of Taylor, and went to sleep in the third.

Clem Fitzpatrick met his master in Knoxville, and heard the birdies sing in the fifth. Lou Miller met his fate in the fourth in the same city. Eddie Dames never knew what hit him in that third heat in Asheville.

In the same city, Guy Brown felt his chin give way in the first round. Three appearances in Jacksonville made Taylor the best known visitor by polishing off Kayo Drummond, Jimmy Gresham and Steve Sloneski, respectively. Sloneski travelled the farthest with the latest kayo artist. He went for six rounds. Nine pro bouts—nine straight kayoes.

Manager Ball confides to Tom Ephrem, THE RING's Southern correspondent, that his boy is anxious to take on the Southern champ, Bobby Britton, also Baxley Hardy, Eddie Steele, Charley Padalino and Buddy Rose, top men in the middleweight class.

Nat Fleischer Says

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McAllister went down like one hit with a rifle shot and he never knew what had struck him until several minutes after the fatal ten had been counted by Referee Johnny Burns. The kayo was one of the big surprises of the indoor season and came as a severe shock to the gamblers who had wagered heavily on McAllister.

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LEW JENKINS, former world lightweight champion, is one of a number of former boxing headliners who has learned that the "comeback" road is a tough one. Fred Apostoli, Ken Overlin and Tiger Fox among the former stars, found the going too rough and quit. Although Jenkins engaged in several bouts in which he scored quick knockouts, his picked opponents were what saved him from learning sooner than he did that his day as a pro fighter were over.

Now the Texan is in the army again. He enlisted in Baltimore after having served a three years hitch as a boatswain's mate in the Navy during which he was in the thick of the fray overseas. He was in the landing parties at Normandy, in Oran, India and Casablanca and Italy. Prior to becoming a world champion, Lew served in the U. S. Cavalry in Texas.

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THE recent wave of poor fights, some the result of poor matchmaking, and others caused by inept performances, has moved at least two state commissioners into tightening up their heretofore lackadaisical policy of sanctioning matches without a thorough investigation.

In Chicago, while the putrid odor of the Arturo Godoy-Lee Savold "no contest" bout still emanated from the Stadium, the vice-president and general manager of that arena issued an edict forbidding the rental of the Chicago Stadium for the purpose of promoting boxing until such time as any promoters can put on the caliber of bouts worthy of a magnificent edifice like the Chicago Stadium.

Leon L. Rains, Chairman of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission, wrathfully announced that in the future all boxers' records would be thoroughly scrutinized before any matches were approved. The wire services complimenting Rains, referred to his plan as "a unique program."

This erupted quite a hearty chuckle from THE RING editor and his staff, who keep the most accurate and minute records of any and every fighter performing in the entire world today. THE RING has upon more than one occasion offered to sell copies of the Annual Record Book to the N. B. A. for its membership and to supply for the current year all vital information concerning boxers. The N. B. A. never responded to our offer, but here in New York we are daily recipients of telegrams, not only from boxing commissioners but conscientious matchmakers and promoters who desire information, and THE RING unstintingly forwards all data free of charge.

While Commissioner Rains is to be highly complimented for his so-called novel program, THE RING has been performing this service for the boxing game the world over for nearly two decades.

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CANADIAN TOPICS

By LAWSON BAMPTON

HARRY HURST scored a close, hard fought decision over Joey Peralta in the ten round feature of Al Foreman's second 1946 offering at the Forum. It was a bristling battle with both tiring badly in the final rounds, Peralta being unable to cut down the clear edge Hurst acquired from the fourth to the seventh rounds inclusive. Two of the judges voted for Hurst while the other called it a draw, which was the result of their first tussle. Hurst weighed 143¾, Peralta a pound less. The gate was approximately $10,000, although it looked as if more than 7,000 fans were on hand.

Fernando Gagnon, Valcartier's Canadian feather king, uncorked some dynamic clouting to flatten Al Cella, touted as the American All-Services champ, in the sixth of a scheduled eight round semi-final. Cella had a lead in the early rounds, his infighting proving effective, but the beginning of the end came in the fourth when Gagnon connected with a smashing right to floor him for nine. Gagnon bided his time and early in the sixth he scored again and it was all over.

Al Evans, popular local Negro middleweight, got a pretty raw deal in the other eight round semi-final when his bout with Solly Zalter was called a draw. Evans carried the battling all the way while Zalter backpeddled, clinched, counter-punched and plainly ran. Evans really mauled Zalter in the seventh and eighth and it is doubtful if the retreating Zalter could have gone another round. The draw verdict was greeted by jeers and boos.

The prelims were weak matches. Making his pro debut, Hubert Gagnier, amateur star, was impressive in scoring over Sammy Zellman, who was disqualified in the fourth for repeatedly hitting on the break. Gagnier registered two knockdowns. In the scheduled six round opener, Romeo Ouimet, blond local lightweight, won by a kayo when he and his opponent, K.O. Lessard of Quebec, collided head-on in the second round. Ouimet suffered a gashed forehead while Lessard sustained a badly cut left eye and was so groggy that he reeled to his corner, dropped to one knee, and took the count.

Another cheesy decision of the Evans-Zalter type marred an action-packed scrap headlining one of Jimmie McKimmie's weekly Coliseum cards. Frankie Pucci, Toronto's little buzz-saw who has been campaigning around New York, handed out a lacing to Joe Gagnon in a ten rounder BUT the "judges" gave a split verdict to Gagnon. The fans howled and hooted. Johnny Lynch marked his ballot for Pucci but the Messrs. Germaine and Geoffrion gave it to Gagnon. Yours truly figured Pucci as having a clear three-round margin.

It was a good fight. Gagnon started off as though he was going to flatten Pucci, flooring him in the first for a nine count with a beautiful southpaw drive to the chin. Gagnon had the best of the second and then Pucci started to get going. During the second half Gagnon fought on the defensive but Pucci came in steadily with both hands connecting often. A short left hook dropped Gagnon once and he was in distress several times, bleeding considerably. Gagnon tried to stem the tide in the closing rounds but didn't have the strength to hurt the eager Pucci. Even a draw would have been unfair to Pucci. Just after the final bell, before the judges' slips were collected, the announcer grabbed his mike and said "Let's all give Joey Gagnon a hand for his very game performance" which doesn't sound as though Gagnon was figured to win.

STRAY SHOTS—After a bad start, Coliseum fights are improving, lots of action being dished up. . . . Best battle was the first clash between Gordon Mackie, Winnipeg, and Roger Bisson, Quebec middleweight, with Mackie winning. He also won the return bout. . . . The draw between Maxie Spoon and K.O. Boisvert of Quebec was also a humdinger. . . . Jean Barriere turned in a two-fisted performance to score over Oscar Lewis, Newark Negro, in a ten round headliner. Barriere is a dependable action producer. Lewis had a big weight edge. . . . Joe Pyle, a Negro welter from Nova Scotia, is the likeliest looking new face brought in. He is a very solid puncher and has scored quick kayoes in three appearances. He meets better opposition in his next start when he faces Jasper O'Hanley, who is a smart, game boy with hitting ability though none too strong-jawed. . . . Jasper outslugged Rajah Sabu here and recently surprised by scoring a second round knockout over Patsy Zoccano in New York. . . . Tommy Murray, looking good in training but opponents are difficult to find for local bouts. . . . Gabby Ferland, Larry Sloan, Billy Carroll and Jean Barriere have all turned thumbs down on Murray for an opponent. . . . Gus (Pell) Mell is confident of repeating over Johnny Cesario in their return match in Boston which is expected to gross close to $40,000. . . . Cheerio till next month.

Then and Now!

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he accepted a wager at good odds that Joe would win.

Yet when he discussed Louis, he declared that he could name ten heavyweights of the past who could whip the Brown Bomber, but he did honor Joe by declaring that next to Jack Dempsey he was the best heavyweight he had seen in more than a score of years. That was a tribute coming from one who had seen Sullivan whip Paddy Ryan, Sullivan take Kilrain into camp, Corbett stop Sullivan and numerous other fistic greats.

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LET'S now come down to Tom Sharkey. For endurance and gameness there isn't a fighter of this era who equals this colorful former tar. Those who saw him in his battle with Corbett at Coney Island will never forget that great stand against one of the world's most vicious fighters. That Siler's decision was a fair one, not even Sharkey doubted, though his friends argued that he had been jobbed. When Sharkey recovered from his injuries and left the Brooklyn hospital, he frankly admitted that he had been beaten.

The old school fought and trained differently than the men of this era. They conditioned themselves by tough grinds. That's why the fights of the old Horton Law era were such thrillers and why the old-timers still talk about them.

Louis and Conn—yes, it will outdraw any fight except perhaps the Dempsey-Tunney Philadelphia scrap, and it will gross more than any in the history of the fight game, but no matter how good a battle, it will have to be exceptionally good to better a dozen or more that were staged in New York among the heavyweights listed in the early part of this yarn.

Louis in 3 Rounds

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men are there who can punch in the same league with Joe Louis?

"Mark my words," James J. Johnston concluded. "It's Joe Louis inside of three rounds. The long layoff will have hurt both men. They've both gone back badly, but I'm inclined to believe Conn has gone back twice as badly as has Joe.

"Taking everything into consideration, Louis still has the old equalizer; his terrific punching power. A man may lose the speed and zip in his legs, and the timing may be away off, but guys like Louis and other great sluggers are able to punch even if they are past ninety."

Pranks and Ballyhoo

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the Briton by the arm, led him closer, and whispered: "You're next!"

I walked over to the dead microphone and speaking into it, said:

"We are extremely fortunate to have with us today, one of England's foremost writers on sports. He has just returned from Louis' camp and will give you a five minute talk on the Brown Bomber."

Up to the mike stepped the speaker and for almost the full five minutes he was in a state of agony as he tried to make an impromptu talk on a man whom he had not yet seen in training and when we realized his predicament—he was sweating blood—Caswell Adams walked over, lifted the mike from the floor and walked off with it.

The Briton was flabbergasted. He looked on in amazement and didn't know what to say. When he learned that he had been speaking through a dead mike, he fussed and fumed and thereafter during his stay in this country we couldn't get him on a real one.

Such are the pranks that are played on all hands at a modern camp.

Who Will Get the Rich Plum?

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best officials in New York and if he should get the Louis-Conn assignment, we predict he'll do a great job.

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A REFEREE is rarely selected by the New York Boxing Commission before 3 p.m. on the afternoon of a fight. He receives his message by telephone or telegram and is told to report to a club at 7:30 p.m. In the case of a Garden assignment, several arbiters are summoned and these men sit at ringside, some refereeing in the prelims while awaiting the all-important call for the star bout.

Not until Joe Louis and Billy Conn step through the ropes, will the public know who is going to referee. As the day of the fight draws nearer, there will be plenty of speculation as to who will receive this most important assignment. Both sides no doubt, for publicity purposes, will enter protests as to the probable choice of arbiter.

Whether or not the person chosen is one of the able men mentioned here, or some earnest, efficient unknown doing a grand job along the small club circuit, is of small consequence. Of prime importance, is the fact that the man selected to referee the battle between Joe Louis and Billy Conn must be a competent, seasoned official who knows his business from A to Z.

Senator's Downfall

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your friend along? We'll show him a trick or two with the gloves. Perhaps he'll enjoy our little session."

That was exactly what Senator Chandler and those in the "know" were eagerly awaiting—the invitation to bring the so-called "amateur" boxer, who in reality was one of the world's most renowned ring men, to Senator Conkling's home. Chandler's hobby was boxing and so was Conkling's and when the party reached the Conkling home, the Senator asked Chandler if he would put on the gloves to show his constituent from Michigan how well he could handle himself with the gloves. For some time there had been an open dispute between Chandler and Conkling as to which was the better boxer and Conkling had decided that this was an opportune time to prove his superiority.

Chandler introduced his friend to Conkling, as John Howard of Michigan. Howard got the once-over from Conkling, who regarded him as a sad-eyed, mild-mannered fellow who would be easy meat in a little setto. But to get Howard to don the gloves, was something Conkling had to work out. And he did.

With a twinkle in his eye and a smile on his face, he suddenly remarked:

"Senator Chandler, why not let your friend show us what he knows about boxing? Here, Mr. Howard, how about putting these on for a little exhibition?"

Howard looked at Chandler and then rather wearily he answered:

"I'm sorry, Senator, but I have boxed only a little and knowing of your skill, I'm afraid it would be rather awkward for me to go up against so expert a boxer as you."

"Nonsense, man," replied Conkling. "Come, come, let's put them on."

A little more urging, while Senator Chandler and those who were in on the secret regarding the newcomer had all they could do to keep from bursting into laughter, and Mr. Howard consented, "If the Senator will take things easy with me."

"Of course, of course," came back the reply. "I wouldn't think of hurting you."

And so the bout was arranged.

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MR. HOWARD, still looking sad-eyed and absent-minded, acknowledged he did once know something about boxing, but it was such a long time ago. "Come, come," insisted Conkling, "let us have a friendly bout. I won't hurt you."

Evidently the great New York Senator was pining to knock somebody down. The sad-eyed Mr. Howard, evidently flattered at the prospect of being knocked down by so distinguished a man, began slowly to put on the gloves. As he was drawing on the gloves, Chandler was observed to walk down a little to the background. A contented look was on his face, and every now and then he would raise his huge right foot up under his swaying, voluminous coat-tail and give himself a congratulatory kick, expressive of rapture. The sad-eyed man now came forward and the round began.

Conkling was for proceeding at once to knock his opponent down, and he would have done so had he not found great difficulty in getting anywhere near the sad-eyed man. The affair culminated by the sad-eyed man suddenly rushing forward and landing a haymaker between Conkling's eyes.

The Senator went over like a big tree and rolled over into the corner of the room, where he lay stunned.

He was heard to say afterward that he thought a house had fallen on him. Conkling had had enough of boxing for once. Chandler made several pleasant little remarks about the skill of his friend Howard, which were not received in the most cheerful way.

Imagine Conkling's feelings the next day when he learned that Chandler had played a joke upon him by giving Mr. Howard $100 to come up and bounce Mr. Conkling. Mr. Howard, of Detroit, Mich., was none other than Jem Mace, the English champion, who had only recently come to America on an exhibition tour.

Pep, Oma, Fighters of the Month

By THE RING EDITOR

WILLIE PEP, world's featherweight king, and Lee Oma, one of the ranking heavyweights, shared the honors as the "Fighter of the Month." Willie's spectacular knockout of Jimmy McAllister in the second round of their non-title fight in the Garden came as a tonic to boxing because of the wild rumors preceding the bout, reports that the champ would go down to defeat, and Oma increased the interest in the heavyweight ranks by stopping Gus Lesnevich, the world light-heavy king. By his defeat of Gus, Oma jumped into third position in the heavyweight division and now looms as an alternate for Conn in the fight with Joe Louis on June 19.

Jersey Joe Wolcott's defeat of Jimmy Bivins enabled the Jersey veteran to supersede Jimmy as the Number Two man in the heavyweight section, right under Conn, and Bivins dropped to fifth.

Joey Maxim, recently discharged from the service, lost his high position, and Nathan Mann, who was rated in pre-war days, occupies ninth position, following his defeat of Freddie Schott, who retains tenth post.

In the light-heavyweight section, Freddie Mills, about to resume his professional fighting career now that he is out of the British Army, has been honored again by being listed among the first ten, and Johnny Deacon Brown, recently discharged from the army on this side of the Big Pond, holds down the last place because of his victory over Georgie Kochan.

In the middleweight division, Steve Belloise is rapidly regaining the challenger's post. He is now rated fifth with Marcel Cerdan, who hopes shortly to be among us, behind him. Cowboy Ruben Shank, who has exhibited his pre-war form in recent bouts, is our tenth choice, and Artie Levine, who knocked out Jimmy Doyle, is rated ninth.

George Costner, who has hit his stride again, made the ratings this month in the welterweight class. He is our eighth man, and Sammy Angott, who has announced his retirement after his recent defeat at the hands of Ray Robinson, has been dropped to make way for Danny Kapilow.

In the lightweight class, Enrique Bolanos's victory over Chalky Wright has gained for him a high position. He rates under Ike Williams, N. B. A. champion, whom he expects to meet shortly. Freddie Dawson's excellent recent performances have enabled him to travel high in the select circle. He is the seventh best lightweight.

Spider Armstrong and Ray Famechon, French champ, have joined the ranks of the featherweight contenders, and David Kui Kong Young, back in the spotlight, is in his old post among the bantams in which class Cliff Anderson, star British Guiana fighter, has assumed the role of second best contender.

Here are the results of the month:

"THE RING'S" RATINGS FOR THE MONTH

Ending March 15, 1946

Heavyweights (Over 175 pounds)	Light-Heavyweights (Not exceeding 175 pounds)	Middleweights (Not exceeding 160 pounds)	Welterweights (Not exceeding 147 pounds)
World's Champion Joe Louis	World's Champion Gus Lesnevich	World's Champion Tony Zale	World's Champion Marty Servo
1—Billy Conn	Archie Moore	Jake LaMotta	Ray Robinson
2—Joe Wolcott	Lloyd Marshall	Holman Williams	Beau Jack
3—Lee Oma	Billy Fox	Charley Burley	Johnny Greco
4—Tami Mauriello	Phil Muscato	Rocky Graziano	Tippy Larkin
5—Jimmy Bivins	Freddie Mills	Steve Belloise	Tommy Bell
6—Bruce Woodcock	Billy Grant	Marcel Cerdan	Jimmy Doyle
7—Elmer Ray	Billy Smith	Sonny Horne	Ernie Roderick
8—Joe Baksi	Fitzie Fitzpatrick	Jimmy Edgar	George Costner
9—Nathan Mann	Joe Kahut	Artie Levine	Arthur Danahar
10—Freddie Schott	Johnny Deacon Brown	Cowboy Ruben Shank	Danny Kapilow

Lightweights (Not exceeding 135 pounds)	Featherweights (Not exceeding 126 pounds)	Bantamweights (Not exceeding 118 pounds)	Flyweights (Not exceeding 112 pounds)
World's Champion International Title vacant	World's Champion Willie Pep	World's Champion Manuel Ortiz	World's Champion Jackie Paterson
1—Bob Montgomery (Recognized by N.Y.)	Sal Bartolo (N.B.A. Champion)	Tony Olivera	Bunty Doran
2—Willie Joyce	Phil Terranova	Cliff Anderson	Joe Curran
3—Allie Stolz	Jackie Graves	David Kui Kong Young	Rinty Monaghan
4—Ike Williams (N.B.A. Champion)	Miguel Acevedo	Luis Castillo	Seaman Terry Allen
5—Enrique Bolanos	Carlos Chavez	Benny Goldberg	Stumpy Butwell
6—Vic Patrick	Nel Tarleton	Theo Medina	Dick O'Sullivan
7—Freddie Dawson	Al Phillips	Luis Galvani	Tommy Burney
8—Chalky Wright	Jack Spider Armstrong	Sammy Reynolds	Hugh Cameron
9—John Thomas	Eddie Miller	Simon Vergera	Georgie Parks
10—Dave Castilloux	Ray Famechon	Jackie Jurich	Alec Murphy

Here are the heavyweight results:

Nathan Mann outpointed Freddie Schott, 10.
Abel Cestac knocked out Clarence Jones, 4.
Abel Cestac knocked out Robin Lee, 4.
Abel Cestac knocked out Doug Ellison, 4. Ellison lost to Jack Hannon Porter, 6.
Lee Oma stopped Gus Lesnevich, 4. Jersey Joe Wolcott outpointed Jimmy Bivins, 10. Lee Savold-Arturo Godoy (no contest), 8.
Colion Chaney beat Al Hoosman, 10. Curtis Sheppard knocked out Yancey Henry, 9. Joey Maxim beat Howard Williams, 10. John Thomas defeated Joey Maxim, 10.
Lee Q. Murray knocked out Larry Lane, 2. Ernie Rios kayoed Jimmy Reeves, 7. Perk Daniels knocked out Eddie Blunt, 5.
Bobby (Tiny) Lee knocked out Lindy Elliott, 3. Harry Berntsen knocked out Pal Silvers, 4; beat Henry Cooper, 8. Stanley Edwards outpointed Armond Olevano, 8.
Elmer (Violent) Ray knocked out Dan Merritt, 4. Joe Muscato knocked out Jimmy Crawford, 3. Muscato defeated Buddy Knox, 10. Jimmy White decisioned Cliff Keorkle, 8.
Charley Roth knocked out Art Brown, 3. Roth kayoed Art Morrow, 7. Jesse Hall outpointed Jimmy Brinkman, 4. Tommy Garland outpointed Harry Wills, 6. Bob Nore outpointed Bobby Shipman, 4.
Austin Johnson knocked out Jimmy Long, 3. Clayton Worlds beat Big Boy Brown, 8. Wally Sears knocked out Nat Hines, 4; knocked out Jimmy Long, 2. Hines was knocked out by Billy Eck, 6.
Marty Clark knocked out Johnny Willard, 1. Willard lost to Tony deMicco, 4. Clark lost to Ralph Ivins, 6. Johnny Aichers knocked out Johnny Davis, 1. George Jenks knocked out Hank Morris, 2. Morris knocked out Rocky Thompson, 2.
Jimmy Howard outpointed Arthur Brownie, 6. Peter Pouthis outpointed Sandy McPherson, 4. Willis "Red" Applegate outpointed Johnny White, 6.
Eddie Keller lost to Joe Davis, 6. Jay O'Brien knocked out Marvin Baker, 1. George Boner outpointed Ted Walters, 4.
Al (Hal) Glassman outpointed Joe Pokesky, 6. Bernie Griffin outpointed Ben Benware, 6. Gene Jones outpointed George Fitch, 6; beat Charlie Crump, 6. Gib Jones knocked out Mel Workman, 2. Jones drew with Jimmy Fields.
Leo Green knocked out Jess Slocum, 3. Tony Andrade knocked out Joe Brooks, 1. Steve Ketchel knocked out Sam Shumway, 1. Ketchel beat Johnny Melko, 6. Pete Zollo knocked out Jimmy Davis, 1. Zollo drew with Johnny Melko, 6. Zollo scored over Eddie Grace, 6.
Frankie Ferry outpointed Eddie Brickley, 4. Billy Jones drew with Vic Chambers, 6. Clarence Jones knocked out Babe Denning, 3.
Bobby Jones knocked out Eddie Walker, 2. Charles Collett knocked out Fred Clark, 3. Jock Porter knocked out Dorus Elton, 1. Reg Andrews drew with Len Bennett, 8.
James Turner knocked out Ray Ransom, 3. Joe Davis drew with Leo Green, 6. Jay O'Brien drew with Edwin Keller, 4.
Bob Nestell knocked out Mike Grady, 6. Willie Barrows knocked out Hezzie Williams, 6. Johnny Allen knocked out Gus Mullner, 3. Johnny Rice knocked out Joe Yorfino, 1.
Frank Poreda knocked out Mike O'Dowd, 9. Poreda knocked out Rex Wakefield, 6. Johnny Willard beat Joe Gregg, 4. Leo Stoll drew with Doc Cladden, 6; outpointed Joe Green, 4.
Lee Croft knocked out Jimmy Dixon, 1. Jock McComber knocked out Pat Vendrillo, 2. Joe O'Connell knocked out Al Spaulding, 5.
George Boner knocked out Willie Robinson, 2. Tony Morando knocked out James Roberts, 2. Lonnie Clark knocked out Morris Stratford, 2. Eddie Powell knocked out Jack Wofford, 2.
Roughhouse Finney knocked out Ben Brown, 1. Billy Pappas knocked out Jim Maxwell, 2. Roughhouse Finney knocked out Ben Brown, 1. Cleo Everett beat Verne Esco, 6.
Bob Lincoln kayoed Ken Griffith, 4. Pete Louthis stopped Bill Vasa, 1. Jess Hall beat Babe Edwards, 4. Gene Felt beat Francisco de la Cruz, 10.
Jackie Cranford knocked out Jim Cox, 1. Bashler Dean knocked out Dick Tracey, 2. Art Henri beat Ernie Griffin, 6. Johnny Ralph knocked out Bill Horn, 1.
Shamus O'Brien knocked out Mickey Hayes, 3. Frankie Zamoris beat Warren Peterson, 8. Zamoris lost to Bob Jacobs, 8. Billy Barrow knocked out Beau Brown, 4. Doc Bee knocked out Sam Gardner, 1.
John Thomas defeated Joey Maxim, 10.
Sammy McPherson knocked out Ben Pickett, 3. Perk Daniels beat Earl Lowman, 10.
Jack Wilkerson knocked out Eddie White, 3. George Bonar knocked out Bob Webster, 2. Johnny

Shkor knocked out Ralph Ivins, 6. Noel Reid knocked out Joe Zalla, 1.

Gene Field beat Elmer Holt, 4. Cliff Mann beat Basher Dean, 6. Howdy Mason beat Johnny Buttrum, 4.

The light-heavyweight fights:

Joey Kahut knocked out Johnny Butler, 3. Billy Grand outpointed Teddy Randolph, 10. Ansell Baba Adams outpointed Charley Jones, 10. Jack Chase knocked out Mad Anthony Jones, 7.

Bob Jacobs outpointed Frank Zamoris, 8. Ezzard Charles knocked out Al Sheridan, 2. Jimmie Sheppard outpointed K.O. Garvin, 10. Tommy Charles outpointed Buddy Thomas, 10.

Sam Hughes drew with Lloyd Delucchi, 10. Harold Reiss outpointed Jack Garrett, 5; outpointed Johnny Hernandez, 5. Warren Peterson outpointed Jimmy White, 8.

Johnny (Deacon) Brown defeated George Kochan, 10. George Saunders knocked out Willie Muldune, 1. Davie Feld beat Bobby Berry, 6. Billy Eck knocked out Nat Hines, 6. Hines died.

Ben Pickett knocked out Jimmy Davenport, 2. Benny Bartle knocked out Freddie Bailey, 2. Bartle lost to Bonnie Durrah, 6. Jack Coley knocked out Aaron Milner, 1. Ted Nichols beat Tom Woodward, 8.

Willie Moore knocked out Ernie Stevenson, 2. Gil Mojica outpointed Buster Peaks, 6. Bobby Dare outpointed Buddy Patton, 6.

Jack Garrett outpointed Jimmy Wads, 4. Bob Amos knocked out Lou Hardman, 1. Leo Stoll outpointed Joe Green, 4.

Lloyd Gibson knocked out Billy Shaw, 6. Bob Ford knocked out Jack Von, 5. Billy Beauford outpointed Victor Bahan, 4.

Andy (Buster) Pepe outpointed Luther McMillan, 4. Vince Gigante beat Luther McMillen, 4. Larry Robinson knocked out Charley Powell, 1. Gene Farland knocked out Steve Worcester, 1.

Jimmy Martin outpointed Clyde Bowman, 4. Johnny Turner outpointed Billy Heeps, 4. Len Wadsworth outpointed Nathan Logan, 6. George Riley knocked out Frank Yshroy, 2. Buddy O'Dell stopped Garret Pitro, 2. Jack Kukard beat Bertie Dartnall, 4.

Alf Gallagher knocked out Andy Hodgins, 7. Tony Andrade beat Eddie Brinkley, 4. Howard Bennett knocked out John Briggs, 3.

John Finazzo drew with Clarence Wilkinson, 10. Billy Pappas kayoed Jimmy Maxwell, 2. Frankie Calzo beat Bob Hawkins, 4. Tommy Sullivan knocked out Lou Jones, 4.

Charlie Banks knocked out Gene Simmons, 6. Carman DeJohn K.O.'ed Henry Jackson, 2. John Henry Eskew knocked out Tony Gillo, 4.

Georgie Miller knocked out Joe (Butch) Lynch, 5. Hilton Fitzpatrick knocked out Jimmy Casino, 1. Stanley Edwards beat Jimmy Mulligan, 8. Willie Moore beat Charlie Polk, 6. Henry Jackson beat George Sapolich, 6. Kid Norman knocked out Kid Carson, 2. Bobby Jones knocked out Billy Beauford, 1.

Bill Sparks knocked out Hub Parker, 3. Eddie Rodrick stopped Sal Russo, 1. Johnny Rice knocked out Sonny Smith, 5.

Ellis Stewart beat Coolidge Miller, 10. Carlisle Thomson beat K.O. Garvin, 10. Al King knocked out Gib Jones, 1.

Middleweight contests:

Tony Zale knocked out Bobby Claus, 4. Holman Williams outpointed George (Wildcat) Henry, 10. Tony Elizondo outpointed Artie Dorrell, 10.

Andy MacKenzie drew with Granville Davis, 10. George Dilks outpointed Tommy Jones, 10. Art Owen knocked out Harry O'Grady, 4. Charlie Knock outpointed Alf Taylor, 8. O'Grady outpointed Ken Hill, 8. O'Grady drew with Joe Williams, 8. Tuffy Williams outpointed Jimmy Hockley, 8.

Marcel Cerdan knocked out Jose Ferrer, 4. Paulie Peters drew with Chester Slider, 10. Mario Ochoa flattened Red Doty, 1. Joe Governale beat Coolidge Miller, 8.

Steve Belloise beat Freddie Flores, 8. Jamaica Smith was stopped by Tiger Hill, 6. Panama Kid beat One Punch Holder, 6. Tony Pedro beat Johnny Marra, 8.

Freddie Flores and Clem Fitzpatrick, no contest, 7. Al Costa outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 8. Arthur Hardy outpointed George Riley, 8. Coley Welch outpointed J. C. Wilkins, 10. Cecilio Lozado outpointed Larry Carter, 10. Frankie Gimbel drew with Jimmy Hayden, 10.

Charley Banks knocked out Mose Brown, 4. Marcus Lockman outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 10. Danny Martin outpointed Johnny Ryan, 10. Georgie Williams outpointed Eddie Kane, 8. Johnny Walker outpointed Bobby Berger, 8.

Russ Baxter outpointed Buddy Rose, 10; knocked out Willard Buckless, 5; outpointed Joe Torres, 10. Bennie Droll outpointed Jack Hill.

Manny Flores outpointed Billy Petersen, 4. Jack Besselman knocked out Nate Smith, 2. Pete Mead outpointed Paul Darby, 6. Maxie Spoon knocked out Jimmy Dow, 3, and drew with K.O. Boisvert, 6.

Lito Perez outpointed Dynamite Sanchez, 4. Billy Petersen outpointed Henry Carrillo, 4. Kenny Watkins knocked out Jimmy Richards, 2. Russ Golding knocked out Cliff Carden, 1. Petey Wade outpointed Joe Green, 4.

Norman Rubio outpointed Ernie Robinson, 10. Rubio beat Sonny Martin, 10. Aaron Perry outpointed Fritzie Zivic, 10. Ellis Stewart outpointed Saint Paul, 10. Ted Newsome knocked out Bob Sanders, 3.

Kayo Brown outpointed Eddie Turner, 6. Freddie Wilson knocked out Charlie McPherson, 2. Melvin Hawkins outpointed Karo Smith, 6.

Jesse Moraney outpointed Al Johnson, 6. Moraney lost to Joe Evans, 6. Jimmy Davis outpointed Lew Perez, 6. Perez lost to Tony Gillo on disqualification, 6. Jimmy Hill knocked out Mickey O'Brien, 1.

James Toney outpointed Johnny Clark, 5; knocked out Eddie O'Neil, 2. Bill Landry outpointed Paul King, 6; drew with Al Barbosa, 8. Art Saxell outpointed Solly Zalter, 4. Jimmy McDonough outpointed Tut Tabor, 6.

Lafayette Roberts outpointed Willie Wigfall, 4. Frank Anderson outpointed Kid Norman, 4. Al Pinel outpointed Benny Thomas, 4; knocked out Jimmy Dunn, 6. Charlie Lagor outpointed Bob Manning, 4.

Lee Black outpointed Antonio Carmona, 6. Pete Mead knocked out Ace Lytell, 3. Roland Taylor drew with Johnny Miller, 6. Jack McCahill outpointed Roy Crews, 4. Ozzie Lewis outpointed Al Morey, 4. Jimmy Coleman outpointed Homer McGrew.

Jimmy McDaniels outpointed Obie Wooten, 4. Frankie Russell outpointed Bill Petersen, 4. Bob Hunter knocked out Wilson Mackay, 2. Johnny Harney beat Lee Black, 6.

J. D. Spencer knocked out Frankie Calzo, 1. Chick Railey outpointed Bob Guest, 4. Al Wright knocked out Spencer Coleman, 4. Carl Olson outpointed Chuck Ross, 6.

Bobby Jones outpointed Billy Lee, 4. Tom McKeagney outpointed Mike Gagnon, 6. Henry Briere knocked out Jose Guterrez, 1. Bob Stroud knocked out Georgie Humes, 3.

Carmen Casale knocked out Norris Fleet, 2. Bob Hart outpointed Don Ellis, 6. Sam Baroudi knocked out Allen Faulkner, 1.

Bobby Hicks lost to Billy Kowal, 4.

Irish Bob Flannagan knocked out Tony Shumway, 5; outpointed Eddie Soares, 6. George Small knocked out Hugh Murphy, 3. Meyer Siegel knocked out Arthur Shepard, 3.

Al LaBrecque knocked out Sonny Smith, 2. Frank Rao outpointed Rubin Flores, 4. Leroy Wade knocked out Chief Collins. Len Johnson outpointed Connie Smith, 4.

Bob Castro outpointed Edgar Robinson, 6. Jiggs Donahue beat Charley Howard, 8. Buddy Best outpointed Arnold Deer, 6. Jerry Hunnicutt outpointed Bob Wingate, 6.

Guy Brown outpointed Earl Hamilton, 6. Tiger Haynes drew with Kid Geronimo, 4. Van Kirk knocked out Harry Bishop, 2. Henry Johnson outpointed George Hill, 6. Charlie Sulic beat Charlie Hilton, 6.

Pedro Cobe beat Johnny Caruso, 8. Jim Ellicott knocked out North Carolina Kid, 2. Rudolph Simmons knocked out Johnny Boyd, 1. Nick Melli knocked out Teddy Wilson, 3.

Stanley Reitzner knocked out Bob Phillips, 3. Al Jackson outpointed Billy Lockett, 4. Bobby Boucher knocked out Hugh Stell, 2. Art Hardy defeated Mickey Doyle, 8.

James Edgar defeated Dave Clark, 10. Jimmy McDonough outpointed Freddie Graham, 8. Kid Drew beat Maurice Cloutier, 10. Otis Walker beat Mike Birskovich, 6. Tommy Yarosz beat Charley Padalino, 6.

Johnny Finney beat Eddie Sparks, 6. Tim Renick drew with Carmen Sippillo, 6. George Humes knocked out Ben Stroud, 3. Allen McCorvey beat Sparky Reynolds, 8.

Freddie Menna knocked out Billy Ellison, 2. Wally Regin knocked out Frankie Kovacs, 4. Karo Smith knocked out Fred O'Dell, 1.

Ray Napolitano knocked out Julie Cross, 2. Charles Dotson knocked out Al Fanacca, 4. Frank Lacey knocked out Sammy Mack. Ralph Garrison beat Leo Sweeney, 6.

Don Ferris beat Ted Peterson, 4. Harry Preston drew with Arthur Bethea. Buddy Espina knocked out Bobby Van Kirk, 2. Jimmy Faney drew with Bobby Hicks, 4.

Bobby Essel knocked out Billy Anderson, 2. Bobby Conway knocked out Ray Worcester, 1. Pat Monahan knocked out Ray Miller, 1. Don Lee beat Rocky Luciano, 10.

Roy Miller knocked out Ray Spurlock, 6. Johnny Mara lost to Frank Young, 6, on disqualification. Mara lost to Maurice Cloutier, 8; knocked out George Fredericks, 2. Larry Gibson beat Chico Givens, 6.

Al Kirk beat Bill Burns, 6. George Elliott beat Jimmy Dundee, 10. Max Cameron drew with Hockey Bennell, 12. Bill Burns knocked out Len Clover, 2. Lou Flyer beat Jules Woods, 8.

Bob Flannagan beat Al Barbosa, 8. Sam Baroudi beat Willie Davis, 8. Johnny Shepard beat Pat Byers, 6. Nelson Hawkins knocked out Terry Amico, 2. Eddie Turner knocked out Ancil Green, 2.

Tommy Rocke beat Young Greene, 4. Young Corbett beat Al Pinel, 4. Gene Farland beat Billy Landry, 8. Al Costa beat Tommy Belmont, 10.

Tommy Spencer knocked out Frank Young, 10. Homer McGrew beat Henry Rich, 4. Mickey Simon knocked out Manuel Reveles, 1. Pedro Flores beat Tom Collins, 6. George Gervin knocked out Jean Paul Noel, 2.

Charley Maples beat Young Fuller, 5. Allen Williams knocked out Joe Delfino, 2. Andy Burton beat Ted Deloreto, 4.

Jimmy Mooney knocked out Oscar Suggs, 8. Beau Dollar knocked out Bill Landry, 4. Paul King beat Ace Wallace, 4. Young Ted Drew defeated Maurice Cloutier, 8.

John Taylor beat Dick Porter, 4. Jimmy Hill knocked out Harold Smith, 6. Stanley Perock drew with Al Sharpe, 4. Henry Chuckoluck drew with Johnny McNair, 6.

Gilbert Castle stopped Jack McAtee, 1. Capt. Midnight, Jr., stopped Cay Scroggins, 2. Dick Smith beat Joey Martinez, 6.

Jake Stephens beat Billy Deeg, 8. Bobby Rynne K.O.'ed Tommy Burns, 3. Kayo Brown won from Eddie Turner, 6.

Rudy Turner beat Chuck Baker, 4. Joe Ybarra drew with Gene Cartwright, 6. Joe Albin beat Jimmy Davis, 6.

Doyle Mitchell knocked out Harry Daniels, 2. Bobby Volk knocked out Gilbert Whiteside, 7. Harry Hall knocked out Ritchie Donahue, 1. Van Kirk knocked out Billy Hagen, 1.

Frankie Wills beat Johnny Jones, 10. Vinnie Vines beat Stanley Simms, 10. Jimmy Taylor knocked out Georgie Humes, 1. Eddie Bayek knocked out Deany Ketchell, 1.

Jack McCahill beat Pete Shotti, 4. Charlie Zivic beat Jackie Armitage, 6. Mickey Doyle knocked out Tut Tabor, 2. Al Cortez beat Chappie Manning, 6.

Larry Fontana knocked out Johnny Ryan, 6. Georgie Small beat Baudelio Valencia, 6. Meyer Siegel beat Jim Kennedy, 6.

Don Anderson beat Johnny King, 6. Johnny Harvey beat Benny Davis, 6. Hugh Stell beat Johnny DeMaio, 4. Julie Cross drew with Nick Melli, 6. Danny Williams beat Cliff Carden, 4.

Willie Regan beat Harold Borsky, 4. Don Lee beat Sheik Rangel, 10. Joe DeMartino beat Floyd Stroud, 6.

Larry Pacino knocked out Jimmy Petti, 1. Eddie Rossi drew with Buddy Brown, 6. Jimmy Farnum drew with Bobby Hicks, 4. Pat Monahan knocked out Jimmy Davis, 1.

Frank Henderson knocked out Battling Gray, 3. Joe Tanguay knocked out Young Green, 3. Frank Young knocked out Young Corbett, 1. Leon Sheppard knocked out Horace Bailey 2.

Gene Farland beat Jim Finney, 6. Tommy Merrill beat Jackie Lewis, 6. Lennox Dingle beat Indian Gomez, 8. Jimmy Moore beat Johnny Craven, 6.

Joe Agosta beat Charlie McPherson, 8. Eli Westley beat Frank Kruski, 6. Billy Lancaster knocked out Eddie Davis, 4.

Charlie Keys beat George Williams, 6. Al Gafgut knocked out Teddy Wilson, 2. Pete Wade knocked out Bob Simmons, 2.

Artie Levine knocked out Jimmy Doyle, 9. Pedro Cobe beat DeWitt Dean, 4. Al (Red) Priest knocked out Neva Esparza, 8.

Kid Chicken beat Reedy Evans, 10. Johnny O'Brien stopped Tommy James, 8. Larry Russo knocked out Tony Gillo, 6. Jimmy Elliott beat Johnny King, 8. Ray Issi knocked out Tony Berger, 3. Ted Drew stopped Johnny Mara, 7. Al LaBrecque knocked out Bobby Hicks, 3.

Sonny Horne outpointed Stanley "Baby" Sims, 10. Eddie Soares beat Tommy Belmont, 8. Joe Curcio beat Charlie Howard, 10. Mike Birskovich knocked out Eddie Miller.

Joey LaMotta beat Bobby Berger, 8. Bob Boucher outpointed Al Franklin, 6. Leon Sheppard knocked out Karo Smith, 2. Angelo Villano knocked out Teddy Wilson, 1.

Mike Sopko and Johnny Crane drew, 5. Buddy O'Dell knocked out Ernie Stevenson, 1. Joe Albina beat Clem Fitzpatrick, 6. Doyle Mitchell stopped Larry Gibson, 3.

Teddy O'Dell beat Mickey Canty, 6. Bill Franklin knocked out Frank Ushry, 3. Lou Woods beat Sam Hughes, 10. Ed O'Neil beat Pete Mead, 6.

Jack Parks beat Marty Martin, 4. Kenny Watkins beat Frankie Angustain, 10. Eddie Ahern knocked out Billy Kowal, 2.

Here are the welterweight bouts:

Ray Robinson beat Sammy Angott, 10. Robinson knocked out O'Neill Bell, 2. Robinson knocked out Cliff Beckett, 4.

Tommy Bell knocked out Danny Williams, 5. Bell knocked out Billy Furrone, 2.

George Costner outpointed Jimmy Sherrer, 10; knocked out Maxie Berger, 6. Berger lost to Ralph Zannelli, 10. Tippy Larkin beat Bobby McIntire, 10; kayoed Solomon Stewart, 3. McIntire lost to Henry Majcher, 10. McIntire drew with Gene Spencer, 10. Hankin Barrow out-

Prospects of the Month

Heavyweight — Ben Johnson, Houston, Texas

Light-heavyweight—Al Velez, El Paso, Texas

Middleweight—George Small, Brooklyn, New York

Welterweight—Frank Vigeant, Waterbury, Conn.

Lightweight—Willard Coffey, Chicago, Illinois

Featherweight—Duane Hoag, Wichita, Kansas

Bantamweight—Jean Richard, Montreal, Canada

Flyweight—Ben Charette, Canada

pointed Tito Despaigne, 15. Joe Legon beat Izzy Jannazzo, 10.

Eric Boon knocked out Maurice Quezmann, 7. Boon knocked out Jean Wanes, 5. Joe Medrano lost to Tony Galente, 4. Medrano outpointed Galente, 5. Eddie Mara knocked out Clarence Garrett, 1. Mara knocked out by Willard Hauseman, 1. Freddie Silvano outpointed Al Ganigan, 5.

Arthur Danahar outpointed Jean Walzach, 8. Chuck Taylor beat Freddie Archer, 10. Archer defeated Stanley (Baby) Sines, 10.

Jimmy Dwyer knocked out Bob Moorcraft, 6. Jimmy Davis outpointed Chris Haycock, 6. Cyril Gallie won on a foul from Jimmy Molloy, 6. Jimmy Anderson outpointed Dick Johnson, 8. Jimmy Bryan outpointed Johnny Bayliss, 8. Frank Meacham outpointed Cpl. Tommy Harlow, 10. Frank Woodcock knocked out Jack Todd, 4. Harry Davis outpointed Jimmy Thornhill, 8.

Baby Tiger Flowers K.O.'ed Dave Lakin, 1. Danny Kapilow outpointed Wesley Mouzon, 10. Bobby Zollo knocked out Johnny Moran, 10, and kayoed Gilberto Ramirez, 3.

Sammy Adragna outpointed Frankie Abrams, 10. Lennox Dingle and Gene Burton drew, 8. Sam Justina outpointed Alex Doyle, 8.

Art Brown outpointed Bill Parsons, 10. Mel Johnson outpointed Bobby Lakin, 10. Irish Tommy Moyer outpointed Lincoln Stanley, 10.

Joe Curcio outpointed Cecil Hudson, 10. George "Red" Doty outpointed Charlie McPherson, 10; was kayoed in 1 by Mario Ochoa. Leo Mayo outpointed Eddie Letourneau, 8. Joey Murphy outpointed Charlie Sabatelle, 8.

Cowboy Ruben Shank outpointed Pat Saia, 10; Tommy Egan outpointed Regino Aguila, 10, and lost to Earl Turner, 10. Vic Costa outpointed Al Seidman, 8, and beat Gilberto Ramirez, 6. Ramirez lost to Artie Tedesco and was kayoed by Bobby Zollo, 3.

Bobby Nichols drew with John Roszina, 8. Phil Palmer decisioned Torpedo Reed, 8. Palmer outpointed Lenny Boom Boom Mancini, 10.

Jimmy McGriff outpointed Domingo Russell, 8. Joey Falco outpointed Rego Dell, 10. Ernie Forte knocked out Norman (Red) Rahn, 3. Joey Varoff outpointed Freddie Addeo, 8. Al LaBarba knocked out Enrique Rodea, 8.

Johnny Campinha knocked out Chick Jones, 5; knocked out Eddie Moran, 6; outpointed Lenny Lavoie, 6. Earl Turner knocked out Paul Lewis, 4.

Rocco Rossano outpointed Freddy Porchia, 6; outpointed Patsy Zoccano, 6. Pete Cabe knocked out Jerry Brown, 3. Jimmy Cook knocked out Sparky Romano, 2.

Tommy Jessup knocked out Ceferino Bronco, 2. Freddie Wilson knocked out Earl Crenshaw, 2. Crenshaw lost to Hugh Stell, 4. Beverly Carter knocked out Jackie Lewis, 2. Leonard Pruitt outpointed Billy Kelly, 6. Lou Jackson knocked out Pete Hartley, 2.

Bill Stemler outpointed Al Wilson, 4. Jimmy Mooney knocked out Nick Restiano, 1. Mayhew Smith outpointed Charley Davis, 6. Johnny Craven outpointed Lee Datts, 6.

Len Bickford outpointed Babe Querion, 4. Querion drew with Norman Bennett, 6. Tony LaRocco outpointed Jimmy Robinson, 4. Joe Torrens knocked out Al Victoria, 4.

Jim Kennedy knocked out Johnny Yellavich, 1. George Graytack outpointed Eddie Tash, 4; outpointed Jimmy Farnum, 4. Henry Holt outpointed Bobby Hicks, 4. Tony Ancona outpointed Alvin Howell, 6.

Frankie Royce knocked out Al Hallie, 4; outpointed Joe Palaza, 4. Jackie Weber outpointed Frankie Young, 4. Young knocked out Danny Boy, 3. Young drew with Johnny Mara, 6. Weber knocked out Willie Keene, 1.

Dave Bruce knocked out Al Kennedy, 1. Charlie Fusari knocked out Ralph Watson, 6. Charley Morris drew with Jack Moody, 6. Larry Janke knocked out Baby Banks, 4. Johnny Long outpointed Buddy Corindia, 4.

Billy Mayfield outpointed Jimmy Simmons, 4. Billy Jones outpointed Joe Guzman, 4. Solly Sanchez knocked out Jimmy Stewart, 4. Dick Mayo outpointed Ted Ryan, 4.

Tony DeRosa outpointed Whelan Douglas, 6. Jimmy Green outpointed Johnny Sawyer, 4. Charley Milan knocked out Bobby Lee, 4. Melvin Wade knocked out Jimmy Brewer, 1.

Roland Gomes knocked out by Frank Foley, 4. Julie Cross outpointed Benny Davis, 6. Johnny De Maio knocked out Bomar Macklin, 4. Ace McCloskey outpointed Johnny King, 6. Tommy Campbell knocked out Whitman Buress, 1. Bud Kelly outpointed Joey Richards, 4.

Harold Borsky outpointed Nat Hutchins, 4. Hutchins lost to Tommy Smith, 4. Len Hardy outpointed Leon Evans, 4. Mario Centi knocked out Patsy Zoccano, 2. Zoccano beat Allie Wolf, 8. Frank Vigeant knocked out Johnny Parker, 2.

Teddy Macklin knocked out Frank Hernandez, 1. Carter Holmes outpointed Al Hallie, 4. Jimmy Alexander knocked out Teddy Wilson, 4. Doug Carter outpointed Moody Jones, 6.

Sparky Reynolds knocked out Bobby Caine, 3. Tom Collins knocked out Ray Carroll, 3. Wendy Wilson outpointed Rudy Campa, 6.

Pedro Flores outpointed Willie Wigfall, 4. Leroy Durst drew with Kelly Jackson, 4. Bobby Volk outpointed Gil White, 6. Len Taglia knocked out Pat Gill, 2.

Billy Lee outpointed Freddie Patterson, 6. Flash Gordon outpointed Julio Franco, 4. Howard Blyhl knocked out Don Wallenfang, 4. Blyhl beat Vince Campbell, 10. Willie Jenkins knocked out Tommy Woodley, 2.

Bobby Comerine drew with Dave Bruce, 4. Ozzie Neil outpointed Jimmy Campbell, 4. Gaby Ferland outpointed Gene Ouimet, 6. Benny Calla knocked out Rio Rico, 3.

Flash Gordon outpointed Mario Luna, 6. Al Mazerol outpointed Frankie Van, 6. Tony LaRocca knocked out Bobby Young 1. Billy Seep outpointed Pal Moran, 4.

Jimmy Pierce knocked out Pete DeJames, 1. Jimmy Wynn outpointed Tony Vero, 8. Al Baltieri outpointed Everett Chapman, 4. Nick Primiani outpointed Lou Cassiano.

James Wynn beat Tony Vero. Jackie Webber beat Lenny LaVoie, 6. Henry Polowitzer knocked out Ray McArthur, 4. Carey Mace knocked out Johnny Bayer, 1.

Jimmy Cook drew with Jimmy Gagnon, 6. Blaine Macomber beat Armand St. John, 4. Vince LaSalva beat Henry Jordan, 8. George Paliotta beat Gunnar Larsen, 4. Frank Palermo beat Gasper O'Hanley, 4.

George Martin beat Vinnie DeMarco, 6. Joe Marmo beat Steve Ozga, 6. Charlie Howard knocked out McCoy Jones, 4.

Buster Beaupre knocked out Phil Beltran. Johnny Priest beat Joe Polowitzer, 8. Billy Ryan knocked out Pete Laurent, 1.

Billy Dejan beat Lee Lott, 6. Doug Carter beat Willie Odom, 6. George Baltieri knocked out Jim Presha, 3. Frank Foley beat Frank Hardiman, 6.

Joey Rogers beat Ernie Cabral, 6. Shamus McCray knocked out Jimmy McLarnin, 8. Mike Finley knocked out Morris Gorman, 2. Johnny Ruth knocked out Johnny Green, 2.

George Hill beat Charley Millam, 6. Major Jones beat Billy Terry, 6. Ernie Butler beat Joe Torrens, 6. Johnny Vann knocked out Robert Russell, 1.

Billy Nappier beat Paul Bangs, 6. Johnny Wood beat Roy Andrews, 6. Al Valen drew with Larry Teen, 4.

Elmer Ward knocked out Johnny Rand, 2. Billy Zaduc knocked out Jimmy Riley, 2. Frank Vigeant beat Milton Lattimer, 6.

Clem Sands knocked out Jimmy Dundee, 7. Kev McCarthy knocked out Tiger Thompson, 6. Wal Tournier drew with Des Doran, 4. Ron McRae knocked out Billy Shaw, 3. Ed Crane beat Stan Watson, 10. Clarrie Gordon beat Jack Daniels, 12. Ray Clover knocked out Young Gugga, 3. Art Davis knocked out Jock Kane, 8.

Frank Fenner drew with Joe Celetti, 10. Johnny Campinha knocked out Carter Holmes, 2, and beat Norman Briere, 6. Larry Lynn beat Marcel Fournier, 8. Lloyd Wagoner knocked out Santo Tringali, 4.

Willie Russell knocked out Tony Rios, 10. Tiger Flowers knocked out Benny Thomas, 3. Flowers beat Al Michaud, 8. Tommy Spencer knocked out Frankie Young, 10. Tommy Nadean knocked out Al LaChance, 2.

Harry Hurst beat Joey Peralta, 10. George Neubeck knocked out Rufus Haley, 2. Johnny Cesario beat Jimmy Anest, 6. Ruby Kessler beat Rudy Campa, 6.

Lou Valles beat Irving Palefsky, 6. Joe Torrens drew with Tony LaRosa, 4. Tiger Hill stopped Jamaica Smith, 6. Jimmy Scouten beat Bobby Harrig, 6.

Jasper Jones stopped Kid Moore, 1. Willard Hauseman stopped Harry Daniels, 4. Hauseman drew with Llewellyn Syrohlin, 6. Jimmy Sweatt drew with Eddie Mara.

Bobby Pooler beat Al Michaud, 10, for Maine welter title. Michaud kayoed Duke Demers, 8. Jimmy Cook beat Babe Querion, 6. Norman Bennett drew with Texas Kid, 6.

Bennett scored over George McCarthy, 6; McCarthy drew with Babe Querion, 6. Bennett outpointed George McCarthy, 4. Bennett drew with Jimmy Gagnon, 6. Bennett drew with Babe Querion, 6. Eddie Letourneau stopped Dolly King, 3, and K.O.'ed Bobby Pooler, 2. Dick Villeneuve kayoed Jimmy Gagnon, 2. Jimmy Cook kayoed Dick Villeneuve, 3, and drew with Jimmy Gagnon, 6.

Len Bickford won over Babe Querion, 4. Johnny Thomas kayoed Al Tanguay, 1. Pat Dyer stopped Pete Nickerson, 4.

Leo Mayo won from Ed Letourneau, 8. Dick Mayo beat Ted Ryan, 4. George Vokey beat Al Andrews, 4. Frank Kruski beat Nick Restiano, 6. Al Michaud knocked out Leo Mayo, 2.

Leon Haire knocked out Jeff Holloway, 6. Joey Fagan knocked out Jimmy Neil, 1. Ernie Guisti beat Jimmy Pierce, 10. Beverly Carter knocked out Frank Kruski, 7.

Whelan Douglas knocked out Hughie Stell, 1. Ernie Forte beat Jimmy Mills, 10. Jimmy Wynn beat Gus Vargo, 8. Charlie Williams beat Bobby Pryor, 8.

Joe Rogers beat Ralph Costello, 6. Johnny Bayer knocked out Bobby Boyce, 2. Billy Mims beat Joe Keyes, 6. Bob Hart knocked out Bob Lemos, 3. George Christian knocked out Steve Crossman, 2. Bob Van Kirk beat Frankie Les, 4.

Terry Moore beat Mike Yukas, 4. Jasper O'Hanley knocked out Patsy Zoccano, 2. Bulldog Camagueyano drew with Abie Kaufman, 10. Al Silverman knocked out Ray Allison, 3.

Joe Ceruto beat Marty Jones, 6. Teddy Mackin knocked out Cliff Carcen, 1. Mickey Simon knocked out Mike Villanova, 2. Larry Teene knocked out Bud Lockery, 1. Bob Conway knocked out Johnny Bell, 1. Freddie Addeo beat Wendy Wilson, 8. Gene LeBlanc knocked out Steve Bellus, 4.

Pat Dyer beat Bill Bernier, 6. Tony Derosa beat Jerry Wright, 6. Tony Larocca knocked out Jimmy Trescha, 1. Jackie Webber knocked out Eddie Moran, 2.

George Bushney beat Willie Browne, 4. Patsy Franco beat Ellie Simley, 4. Chet Martin knocked out Walter Kee, 2. Sal Richie beat Torpedo Reed, 6. Jimmy Cannonball knocked out Ducky Wills, 1.

Joe Lucignano knocked out Lionel Johnson, 1. Santa Bucca beat Dorsey Lay, 10. Pat Scanlon stopped Tommy Mills, 8. Tommy Spencer knocked out Billy Woods, 5.

Al "Red" Priest knocked out Neva Esparza, 1. Charlie Litwin stopped Johnny Bayer, 1. Bobby Garcia knocked out Artie Sheppard, 6. Pat Monahan beat Al Healy, 6. Jack Thompson knocked out Ernie Knight, 5.

Rocco Rossano knocked out Frank Porchia, 4. Vic Costa beat Al Seidman, 8. Johnny Vann beat Nick Primiani, 6. Frankie Vigeant outpointed Milton Latimer, 6.

John Thomas knocked out Norman Bennett, 4. Bill Bernier knocked out Al Reny, 2. Bob Nichols outpointed Al Gomez, 8. Tommy Campbell beat Bill Patrick, 4. Gunnar Larsen lost to Freddie Yeager, 6.

Billy Chavez drew with Gus Scott, 4. George LaSalle knocked out Jim Stanford, 2. Tony Mancuso halted Patsy Zoccano, 1. Tony Larocco knocked out Omar Mackland, 1. Henry Smith beat Jim Scouten, 6.

Julio Franco beat Alberto Agala, 4. Willie Keene knocked out Walter Dugnais, 2. Julio Franco beat Alberto Agala, 6. Dixie Flemming knocked out Mario Luna, 1.

Lightweights fared as follows:

Ike Williams outpointed Cleo Shans, 10; outpointed Ace Miller, 10. Cleo Shans beat Dave Andrews, 10, and Pedro Firpo, 10. Bob Montgomery outpointed Leo Rodak, 10; beat Tony Pellone, 10.

Willie Joyce outpointed Allie Stolz, 10. Dave Castilloux outpointed Eddie Lander, 10. Jose Flores outpointed Eddie Prince, 10.

Memo Llanes drew with Bobby Yaeger, 10. Bulldog Camagueyano outpointed Abie Kaufman, 10. Patsy Brandino beat Jackie Leamus, 10.

Enrique Bolanos outpointed Chalky Wright, 10. Chalky Wright knocked out Georgie Hansford, 4.

Tony Costa beat Midget Mayo, 10. Julio Jiminez beat Jimmy Pierce, 8. Ben Duffy won on a foul from Bob Ramsay, 4. Lou Wilde knocked out Arthur (Tiger) Denton, 5. Albert Ives outpointed Hughie Smith, 8. Tommy Barnham outpointed Freddie Wheeler, 6. Stan Hawthorn knocked out Wally Downes, 3. Billy Thompson outpointed Ben Duffy, 8.

Doug Ratford outpointed Ottie Graham, 8. Villita De Juarez beat Aurelio Cruz, 10. Pat Scanlon outpointed Rudy Campa, 10. Willie Watkins outpointed Fist Deaver, 8.

Clarence "King" Cotton drew with Georgie Larover, 10. Bobby McQuillan outpointed Joe Saddler, 10. Abel Lucero knocked out Babe Picazo, 2. Danny Williams outpointed Freddie Wilson, 10. Ralph Walton outpointed Chico Berrado, 10.

Ray Lewis drew with Nathaniel Huskey, 8. Nick Stato outpointed Victor Flores, 8; knocked out Al Pennino, 10. Julie Bort outpointed Juan Carrero, 8.

John Chapman outpointed Milton Glass, 8. Sgt. Dick Cook outpointed Johnny Goode, 8. Ruby Zidell knocked out Chuche Llanes, 5.

Luck Lima outpointed Freddie Camuso, 10. Juda Ruba outpointed Speedy Moore, 4. Joe Carney outpointed Lou Daniels, 6.

Denny McCabe knocked out Johnny Roe, 1. Henry Brier knocked out Al Smith, 3. Gunnar Larson beat Bomar Macklin, 4. Jean Barriere beat Oscar Lewis, 10.

Jetson Arnold knocked out Ray Rogers, 1. Chico Morales beat Lefty LaChance, 10, and lost to Carroll "Kid" Alexander, 8. Ray Moore drew with Billy Southerner, 8. Chet Martin knocked out Johnny Delmont, 2.

Freddie Dawson knocked out Nick Castiglione, 2. Jackie Carr knocked out Joe Stevens, 2. Matt Parker outpointed Johnny Fulton, 6.

Joe Brown and Dukey Dean, no contest. Billy Smith knocked out Danny King, 2. Eddie Moran knocked out Tony Imp, 3. George Tait outpointed Mickey McCoy, 4. George Pallot outpointed Al Mazerol, 4. Ray Carter outpointed Pat Bradley, 6.

Matt Parker knocked out Pat Leonard, 6. Mickey Grossa knocked out Tee Wick, 1; outpointed Len Richards 6. Frankie Gromada outpointed Vic Pignataro, 6. Gabby Paul knocked out Tom Daley, 1. Lou Cassiano outpointed Lou Suliveres, 6; outpointed Jerry Darby, 6. Cassiano lost to Archie Stock, 6. Pete DeMarco knocked out Marty Bell, 4. Felix LeBlanc knocked out Eddie Moran, 3. Curtis Smith knocked out Stanley Cieslik, 4. Alberto Ayala knocked out Willie Tatum, 4. Babe Huerta outpointed Ruiz Llanes, 4.

Jimmy Motley knocked out Sterling Willey, 4. Nello Nucelli outpointed Miguel Arroya, 6; outpointed Larry Moreland, 6; knocked out Pat Kelly, 4. Pat Moran outpointed Pat Smith, 4. Smith knocked out Billy Gibson, 2.

Willie Ceasar drew with Mariano Canales, 4. Eddie Price drew with Julio Franco, 4. Charlie Salas outpointed Ray Williams, 4. Billy Mitchell knocked out Paulino Montez, 2.

Chris Sponsel knocked out Rudy Soto, 4. Danny Saunders outpointed Shamus McCray, 4. Harold Vincent outpointed Terry Smith, 4.

Phil Woods knocked out Harold Grier, 2; knocked out Gil Vasquez, 3. Al Diaz outpointed Johnny Ross, 5. Floyd Hagan knocked out Lee Gatti, 1. Benny Delgado knocked out Joe Terry, 1.

Henry Polowitzer drew with Ray MacArthur, 8. Frank Palermo knocked out Sammy Zelman, 1. Terry Moore knocked out Paul Watson, 1. Al

Hallie knocked out Duke Demers, 3. Shamus McCray outpointed Joe Polowitzer, 6.

Maola Fernandez knocked out Marty Fuller, 1. Ralph Veraijo drew with Joe Schultz, 4. Artie Tedesco outpointed Al Franklin, 6. Danny Cabral outpointed Willie Marcus, 6.

Floriant Desmarais knocked out Billy Zaduk, 5; beat Santiago Riviera, 10.

Paf Demers beat Riviera, 10. Benny Delgado defeated Desmarais, 8. Everett Chapman outpointed Al Baltieri, 4. Johnny Vann knocked out Sal Arredon, 2.

Charlie Gillen outpointed Art Bethea, 6. Jimmy Stanford knocked out Bobby Thomas, 4. Henry Briere knocked out Jose Guterrez, 1. Guterrez lost to Joe Marmo, 4. Guterrez lost to Vince DeMarco, 6.

Dave Freeman knocked out Frankie Daniels, 5. Jimmy Corti knocked out Joey Ianotti, 4. Harold Valan defeated Nick Primiani, 8. Lawrence Assam knocked out Cocoa Kid Gilkes, 2.

Al Victoria knocked out Tommy Mills, 4. Joe Palaza lost to Louis Tavares, 6. Felix Randolph knocked out Sonny Bentley, 4. Joey Belfiore knocked out Eddie West, 1.

Herb Andrews knocked out Carlton Colby, 2. Bill Connolly outpointed K.O. Thomas, 4. Wildcat Hatchie knocked out Bob Hill, 3.

Walter Gomes outpointed Roland Gomes, 6. Chet Martin knocked out Ray Miller, 3. George Christian outpointed Kid Lewis, 4. Robert Summers knocked out Al Robinson, 1.

Jimmy Murphy knocked out Jackie McElwee, 2. Bobby Thomas knocked out by Johnny Parvia, 2. Sammy Anders outpointed Mario Luna, 4. J. C. Ross outpointed Nathan Bridges, 4.

Chris Sponsel outpointed Jimmy Haller. Gordon House knocked out Joey Balta, 2. Mickey McCoy knocked out Henry Hosch, 3. Henry Shaw knocked out Jack Paton, 3. Charles Pavone outpointed Ray McNally, 4.

Dick Schiavone beat Dom Zito, 4. Jimmy Corti beat Don Madrid, 8. Eddie Compo knocked out Julio Flores, 4. Roland Prairie knocked out Johnny Lewis, 2. Ray Moore drew with Carroll Southerner, 6.

Winnie Vazzo beat Billy Marcus, 6. Willard Coffey beat Butch Maxwell, 5. Freddie Yeager beat Freddie Herman, 6. Pete Mirabella beat Jerry Darby, 6. Billy Gibbons beat Stan Brown, 4.

Tom Daniels knocked out Frankie Van, 1. Eddie Thomas beat Johnny Longo 4. Joey Dell knocked out Felix LeBlanc, 5. Leon Broxton beat Baby Armstrong, 6, and stopped Brown Kid Lee.

Luther Reynolds beat Gene DeFelice, 4. Felix Thomas knocked out Pete Sanagula, 1. Kif Conoyer drew with Felix Thomas.

Tommy Greb beat Tony Roberts, 10. Paddy Chapman knocked out Allen Hammond, 6. Mickey Miller knocked out Fishey Taylor, 10. Joe Grant beat Charlie Ashenden, 12.

Lloyd Rennie beat Ray Kay, 8. Jack Cope beat Al Clarke, 8. Kid Young knocked out Paddy Slavin, 9. Geo. Pitt knocked out Vin Geddes, 6.

Charlie Noble knocked out Red Fitzgerald, 4. Jimmy Hill beat Leo Heaney, 12. Darkie Wilkinson drew with Ray O'Connor, 8. Cliff Jones beat Joe Wetherall, 6. Jack Willis beat Bobby Clarke, 4. Joe Grant beat Terry O'Toole, 12.

Bill Foley knocked out Merv Cooper, 4. Mickey Dooley beat Jackie Green, 12. Eddie Hudson drew with Buddy Labbe, 6. Dick Egan knocked out Bobby Whellden, 4.

Diego Sosa beat Battling Soccorros, 10. Gavilan Kid beat Kid Bururu, and Santiago Sosa, 10. Corky Davis knocked out Al Lewis, 3.

Kid Briere knocked out Eddie Moran, 5. Frankie Young knocked out Al Hallie, 5. Joe Butler knocked out Chuck Ackworth, 3. Ivan Jones drew with Charlie Kelley, 6.

Gene LeBlanc knocked out George Butler, 2. Paulino Montez knocked out Charlie Miegals, 6. Don Redman knocked out Tee Wick, 2. Johnny Forte knocked out Al Victoria, 4.

Mike Raffa knocked out Oliver Cobbins, 3. Johnny Campinha knocked out George Butler, 2. Bobby Waters beat Bobby Richardson, 6. Sugar Cane beat Tiger Wills, 8.

Ben Duffy stopped Danny Webb, 6. Jimmy Esposito drew with Lou Suliveres, 6. Mike Threadgill stopped Pete Buck, 1.

The Blonde Tiger beat Lloyd Hudson, 8; beat Tony Ferry, 8, and Tony Roberts, 8. Gabby Paul kayoed Tom Daley, 1. Lloyd Hudson knocked out Johnny Campbell in 1. Kid German beat Kid Dinamita, 10.

Bobby Pooler beat Al Michaud, 10. Irish Johnny Williams stopped Leo Methot, 5. Young Randall stopped Billy Stevens, 3. Joey Carkido knocked out Marion Jones, 3.

Ducky Dean and Joe Brown, no contest, 1. Fabela Chavez knocked out Pete Pacheco, 3. Jackie McCoy drew with Ruperto Garcia, 4.

Frankie Moore knocked out Ray Salas, 2. Paul Reguejo drew with Nate Huskey, 8. Chris Sponsel knocked out Joe Luco, 1.

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Billy Zaduk beat Tommy Daniels, 6. Frankie Leta knocked out Freddie Russo, 6; Russo outpointed Frankie Carto, 10. Eddie Lander beat Marion Rhoeten, 8; and Stanley Cieslik, 8. Verne Bybee drew with Eddie Prince, 10. Sam Schipano beat Ray Miller, 4. Tommy Greb knocked out Richie Myashiro, 2.

Dom Amoroso beat Joe Carney, 8. Dennis Pat Brady beat Walter Cabey Lewis, 10. Ernie Petrone beat Julie Kogon, 10. Dom Fiantini beat Vinnie Vazzo, 8.

Billy Southerner beat Johnny Bouffard, 8. Jess Flores knocked out Chino Carvajal, 6. Al Smith beat Lloyd Hudson, 8.

Frankie Waters beat Charlie Kelly, 4. Honey Boy Villa beat Joey Wasnick 8. Raphael Verdijio beat Carl Olson, 6. Jackie Perkins knocked out Jackie O'Brien, 4. Freddy Gilbo knocked out Kid Connoyer, 2.

Tommy Wells knocked out Leo Methot, 5. Lenny Riley beat Carter Holmes, 6. Lou Cassiano knocked out Tony Marino, 1. Sonny Bently knocked out Don Redmon, 1. Geo Martin knocked out Allie Simley, 2. Jimmy Sciarra knocked out Bobby Young, 2.

Ike Williams knocked out Eddie Giosa, 4. Willie Joyce knocked out Jackie Wilson, 5. Frankie Carto defeated Clint Miller, 8.

Joey Krikis outpointed Clifton Bordies, 4. Joey Angelo defeated Larry Bolvin, 10. Morris Kapps knocked out Tony Florentino, 1. Joey Schultz beat Henry Briere, 6.

Lou Cassiano beat Leo Daniels, 6. Frankie Van outpointed Everett Chapman, 4. Paddy DeMarco beat Johnny Phillips, 6. Jimmy Sciarra knocked out Bobby Young, 3.

Johnny Forte knocked out George Brown, 3. Jackie Carr beat Lenny Richards, 6. Billy Connolly beat K.O. Thomas, 4. Bobby Root beat Joey Kushner, 6. Leroy Jackson beat Art Price, 6.

Herb Andrews drew with Maurice Ingalls, 4. Al Escobar beat Nick Diaz, 6. Leo Prince knocked out Flash Boucher, 1. Roland Dupree beat Bert Gagnon, 4.

Pat Smith knocked out Ivan Thornton, 4. Pat Scanlon knocked out Tommy Mills, 8. Juan Manuel knocked out Mike Gravino, 4. Joe Pierce beat Glen Massey, 6.

Featherweights boxed as follows:

Willie Pep knocked out Jimmy McAllister, 2. McAllister beat Vince Dell 'Orto, 10. Harry Jeffra lost to Oscar Calles, 10. Ray Famechon beat Danny Webb, 10; Webb was kayoed by Ben Duffy, 6.

Jock McKenzie outpointed Al Hutt, 8. Ronnie Clayton knocked out Billy Innes, 4. Johnny Jenkins outpointed Ginger Ward, 8. Johnny Regan knocked out Nick Carter, 3. Roy Kitchen outpointed Jock McKenzie, 8. Billy Thompson knocked out Jackie Grimes, 5.

Mickey Colbert outpointed Jackie McCall, 8. Colbert lost to Cliff Anderson, 8.

Duane Hoag outpointed Pee Wee Lewis, 10; beat Benny Jerome, 10. Ham Wiloby knocked out Chico Barrado, 5. Jock Leslie outpointed Lou Alter, 10, and stopped Hugh "Pee Wee" Flores, 2. Flores kayoed Jerry Lavigne, 2.

Phil Terranova knocked out Charley Riley, 6, and beat Jimmy Joyce, 10. Paul Febbo outpointed Joey Longo, 8. Leo Mucucci knocked out Bobby English, 2.

Tony Costa outpointed Joey Longo, 10. Yasu Yasutake outpointed Billy James, 8. Johnny Perry knocked out Jerry Abosola, 2. Eddie Silva outpointed Flash Henry, 4. Willie Candido outpointed Jimmy Joseph, 4.

Jack "Spider" Armstrong outpointed Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, 10. Carlos Chavez knocked out Bobby Jackson, 4.

Cedric Flournoy outpointed Leroy Jackson, 8. Eddie de Angelis outpointed Tony Ferry, 8.

Danny Carabella outpointed Joey Dolan, 8. Carabella was kayoed by Willard Weasel, 1. Carabella lost in 6 to Jackie Floyd. Weasel outpointed Filberto Osario, 8, and Osario lost to Floyd.

Larry Sloan outpointed Johnny Bouffard. Richie Mendoza outpointed Louis Renteria, 4. Pee Wee Swingler outpointed Johnny Martinez, 4. Tito Valles outpointed Sammy Zelman, 4.

Maurice Lefty LaChance beat Augie Lapara, 10, and lost to Chico Morales, 10. Pete Virgin beat Lou Prince, 10. Charlie Celeste knocked out George Butler, 1. Joe Torres knocked out Benny May, 4.

Gene Roberts knocked out Paul Martinez, 5. Jackie Allen beat Ray Smith, 4. Howard Jackson beat Jesse Salzer, 6. Tom Walls beat Gus Ross, 4.

Ken Stanford knocked out Alan Hall, 8. Ken Hatcher beat Garney Allen, 12. Limpy Davis knocked out Col. Davis, 12. Frank Flannery knocked out Stan Mott, 1.

Freddie Hermann drew with Pete Mirabella, 6. Tommy Monty knocked out Jimmy Allen, 3. Velmond White drew with Richie Callura, 4.

Lou Transparenti outpointed Jimmy Ricco, 6. Jackie Allen drew with Tommy Pauley, 6. Young Randall knocked out Billy Steeves, 4. Chuck Acksworth knocked out Martin Taber, 1.

Oscar Williams drew with Larry Thomas, 6. Leo Milito outpointed Al Pennino, 6. Don Redman knocked out Johnny Pitts, 1; knocked out Jimmy Vacca, 1. Archie Devino outpointed Land, 6.

Tony Roberts outpointed Ivan Jones, 5. Gene LeBlanc knocked out Gary (Redcap) Cooper, 6. Tito Valles outpointed Sammy Zelman, 4.

Mimmie Adragna outpointed Ossie Peguese, 6. Marion Rhoeten knocked out Joe Laws, 3. Harry Trott drew with Elliott Hagan, 4. Trott outpointed Carter Holmes, 4. Con Perli outpointed Ted Varnador, 4.

Jennings Brotherton outpointed Pat Linton, 6. Sam Cicerella knocked out Ernie Hoffman, 2. Pete Pacheco drew with Robert (Ruperto) Garcia, 6. Jackie McCoy outpointed Louis Renteria, 4.

Kid Cloutier outpointed Young Goupil, 4. Raul Madrid outpointed Ritchie Myashira, 6. Leo Saranelli knocked out Bobby Kirk, 2. John LaRussa outpointed Frankie Van, 4.

Capus Benton outpointed Vidal Gaytan, 4. Dick Salois knocked out Larry Menard, 1. Young Junior outpointed Gene Davis, 6. Dom Fiantini knocked out Felix Ramirez, 1. Nick Smith outpointed Ramiro Lopez, 4.

Herbert "Biff" Jones outpointed Leslie Harris, 6. Nick Darby drew with Chuck Burton, 4; knocked out Carlos (Evans) Ramos, 1.

Joe Carney knocked out Danny Randi, 5. Clint Miller outpointed Aponte Torres, 6. Fred Latson knocked out Joe Palmo, 1.

Dave Marsh outpointed Bobby Root, 6. Johnny Davis drew with Bobby Clark, 4. Bobby Scott drew with Johnny Abbott. Roland Prairie outpointed Billy Carroll, 6.

Jack Sevello knocked out Jerry Spencer, 4. Jimmy Collins drew with Dom Fiantini. Joe Rodriquez beat Paul Febbo, 8. Brilliant Kid knocked out Rogelio Aldazabal, 3. Gregorio Perez beat Rene Camacho.

Fernando Gagnon knocked out Al Cella, 5. Charley Celeste knocked out Joe Morrisette, 1. Terry Thompson defeated Eddie Lee, 10. Eddie Lee beat Jose Andres, 10.

George Pilgrim beat Joe Gans, 8. Bill Candido beat Freddy Silvano, 5. Bill Candido lost to Johnny Perry, 6. Bill Caesar decisioned Jimmy Joseph, 4.

Tommy Daley drew with Chick Cloutier, 6. Leo Methot drew with Lloyd Hudson of Maine, 8. Blondie Eagan beat Yom Davies, 4.

Charley Wooster kayoed Leo Prince, 3. Buddy Labbe kayoed Bill Kenney, 2. Ivan Jones beat Tiny Prince, 6; kayoed Battling Murphy, 3. Kid Cloutier won over Gil Roy, 4.

Edgar Perriault kayoed Chick Cloutier, 1. Kid Cloutier won from Young Goupil, 4. Battling Murphy kayoed Gil Roy, 1. Leo Lebron beat Ralph LaSalle, 6.

Tony Beccera knocked out Joey Puig, 1.

Ralph LaSalle knocked out Joe Trambe, 6. Ham Wiloby knocked out Joe Gatto, 1. Jimmy Callura knocked out Charlie Coles, 5.

Blond Tiger outpointed Eddie De Angelis, 8. Al Pennino knocked out Vinnie Vazza, 7. George Wright knocked out Leo Sarinelli, 5.

Bantamweight bouts:

Manuel Ortiz knocked out Eli Golindo, 4. Ortiz knocked out Luis Castillo, 13 (title bout).

David Kui Kong Young knocked out Lefty Quicho. Jerry Speers outpointed George Green, 6.

Cliff Anderson outpointed Mickey Colbert, 8. Roy Ball outpointed Teddy Peckham, 10. Eddie Carson knocked out Billy Moore, 3. Frank Williams won disqualification from Cliff Curvis, 7. Jack Bryce outpointed Barney Hughes, 8. Luis Galvani knocked out Manolito Kid, 3.

Marciel Baptiste defeated Eddie Salazar, 6. Henry Goupil kayoed Kid Boucher, 4. Goupil won over Pee Wee Martin, 4. Tony Olivera beat Baby Gonzales, 10.

Young Dawson beat Wal Richardson, 4. Dawson beat Pat Danahar, 4.

Jimmy Callura knocked out Artie Vitt, 3; outpointed Ralph LaSalle, 5. Jimmy Webster outpointed Norman Lewis, 8. Jimmy Parlin outpointed Gabriel Rios, 6.

Tiger Rosa drew with Eddie Reyes, 4. Rosa lost to Reyes, 4. Johnny Perry outpointed Tiger Rosa, 5. Ankie Hoshijo knocked out Johnny Ropedo, 2.

Battling Murphy knocked out Gil Roy, 1. Vince Lauria knocked out Jimmy Jeannette, 3. Jeannette lost to Frankie Pucci, 6. Mike De La Rosa outpointed Robert Molina, 4.

Gene Richards outpointed Maurice Auger, 8, and knocked out Emile De Stephano, 3. Ray Daoust stopped Maurice Auger, 3. Baby Face Daniel outpointed Victor Hernandez, 6. Ramon Ruiz outpointed Val Valentine, 6.

Flyweight bouts:

Bunty Doran beat Jackie Paterson, 10 (non title). Joe Curran knocked out Charles Kerr, 2. Billy Davies outpointed Billy Hazelgrove, 8.

Stumpy Butwell drew with Dick O'Sullivan, 12. Ben Charlotte knocked out Bombshell Carter, 5. Dado Marino knocked out Jose Oncanim, 3.

Ben Charlette beat Bill McIntire, 6.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By HARRY WINKLER

THE 1946 Golden Gloves tournament was staged during the month and it was terrific. From every angle it was the best tournament yet staged in this area. The action couldn't have been greater even if the contestants had been matched. About 18,000 witnessed the shows, with over 2000 turned away on the final night. The three shows netted better than $22,000.

It was Robert (Bob) Svensson's final promotion for the Los Angeles *Times*, and the meet was supervised by the same officials as in previous years. Harry Winkler, California RING representative, was the Director of Bouts and Henry Learned, Chairman of A.A.U. Boxing Committee, was in charge of Weights and Drawing.

The winners in the eight divisions were as follows: 112—Johnny Baca; 118—Luis Adame; 126—Ralph Gutierrez; 135—Henry Roberts; 147—Charles Davey; 160—John Toney; 175—Norman Stancil; Heavyweight—Fred Wermy.

A capacity crowd of 10,400 fans (about 6000 were turned away) saw Enrique Bolanos make the best fight of his career in winning over Chalky Wright at the Los Angeles Olympic. The classy Mexican was faster, sharper, and more aggressive than he was in their first scrap which he lost while the aging Negro seemed slower and did little leading. Could it be that at last Father Time has caught up with Chalky? Could be!

Bolanos was an elusive target and his left hand was as busy as the hind leg of a flea-infested pup, which might have accounted for Wright being as motionless as an artist's model most of the time. Chalky put on spurts occasionally and really made hay with his two-fisted attacks, but they were too seldom. He rocked Enrique in the 5th and 7th, but the Mexican Adonis shook off the effects and was soon pumping that piston left into the "ole man's" features again.

Knowing that his only chance of victory was to take his foe for keeps, Chalky steamed up in the final two rounds, but he lacked both the speed and stamina to turn the trick. Enrique was as fast and elusive in the 9th and 10th as he had been in the early rounds, and he copped the final two heats. Bolanos, weighing 134, was credited with 7 of the rounds. Wright weighed 133.

In the 6-round semi, Ramon Ruiz, 119, Mexico, had too much on the ball for Val Valentine, 117. He copped four of the heats for an easy victory.

In the four-rounders, Sammy Anders, 130, spilled Mario Luna, 136, three times to win handily; Jimmy Martin, 173, decisioned Clyde Bowman, 175; Flash Gordon, 145, nodded Julio Franco, 141; Manny Flores, 158, beat Billy Peterson, 156.

Bob Nestell hadn't fought in over four years and he had spent a year of that time in the hospital. You just cannot expect much from a guy in that spot so his first effort in his return to the ring probably satisfied all concerned. Bob is a war hero and a fine fellow personally, so I wish that I could praise his showing, but I cannot and I doubt that he will get back in the big clubs, even for one shot.

Nestell stopped Charley Johnson, giant Negro, in the sixth round at the Ocean Park arena, and in so doing showed that he still possesses the old wallop. Bob was slow, off on timing, had little defense and tired easily. Johnson seldom led, backed away continually and acted like a man in there merely to go the route. It was a terrific left hook that finished Johnson, who weighed 214. Nestell came in at 188.

Jackie McCoy, 129, Los Angeles, won the fast four-round semi-windup over Luis Renteria, 127, Mexico. The classy Irish boxer copped every round.

Other results: Al Wright, 161, decisioned Spencer Coleman, 157, in four; Billy Mitchell, 139, K.O.'ed Pedro Montez, 141, in the second; Chuck Railey, 157, was awarded an unpopular win over Bob Guess, 160, in four; Charley Salas, 149, defeated Ray Williams, 151, in the opener.

Manuel Ortiz, preparing for his title bout with Castillo, moved his training quarters over to the Hollywood Stadium and used Eli Golindo for the heavy bag. Ortiz was all business on this night, and at such times the little Mexican gentleman is one of the best bantams this country ever produced. Also, it is more fun with paid customers looking on.

Ortiz loafed through the opening round, as is his custom, but he played for keeps in the second. He whipped uppercuts for a full minute and then smacked Golindo to the canvas with a left hook to the jaw. Eli made it to his knees as the bell ended the round at the count of seven and he may have regained his feet before the fatal 10-count, but would have been in no condition to continue. Manuel punished Golindo with uppercuts throughout the third and finished his outclassed foe with a left hook to the jaw early in the fourth. Ortiz came in at 123. Golindo weighed 122.

In the six-round semi, Bob Castro, 160, Los Angeles Mexican, whipped Edgar Robinson, 159, Phoenix, Arizona Negro. Castro dropped his opponent for an eight-count in the third and was credited with five of the rounds.

In other bouts, Nick Smith, 130, decisioned Ramiro Lopez, 129, in four; Leonard Johnson, 159, bested Connie Smith, 162; Hank Morris, 199, flattened Rocky Thompson, 197, in the second heat; Mike De La Rosa, 116, nodded Bobby Molina, 115, in the curtain-raiser.

The Jinx still haunts the Los Angeles *Times* Golden Gloves teams. In 1944 there were only six men on the team. In 1945 there were but seven boxers to compete at Chicago. So, the *Times* officials felt pretty good at having a full eight-man team to represent Los Angeles in the Tournament of Champions at Chicago this year. And it is, or was, a rather formidable team. Three of the boxers, Henry Roberts, 135, Charles Davey, 147, and John Toney, 160, are outstanding amateurs and must be conceded a chance even in a national meet.

But, like the little Indians, there are now only one. A badly cut eye caused the withdrawal of Henry Roberts, and a death in the family prevented John Toney from making the trip. And neither of the runner-ups were able to make the trip, so, the third and fourth place men had to be taken, which weakens the team to a great extent. And there will now be but one man, Davey, of national tournament caliber on the team.

Braven Dyer, nationally known sports writer of the Los Angeles *Times*, accompanies the squad as business manager, and writes up stories of the Tournament of Champions for his paper. Harry Winkler has again been chosen to act as coach of the team at Chicago. (Don't look now, but that guy with his head bandaged and smelling salts to his nose, being helped on the train by a nurse, is Winkler. Yeah, the coach!)

Thirty minutes of continual punching with never a clinch! A powerful little scrapper tearing in every minute of the ten rounds, trying to corner and beat down his elusive foe! A clever, fast-moving boxer stabbing, hooking and uppercutting his oncoming antagonists! Such was the contest between John Thomas and Larry Cisneros at the Los Angeles Olympic. Wouldn't you have liked to be one of the 9600 paid customers who yelled themselves hoarse at this whirlwind setto? Or, better yet, have been one of those in on a pass?

The decision to Thomas was a split one, Referee Abe Roth having Cisneros ahead by two points, and there was considerable booing over the verdict. However, this writer thought that John had a decided edge. Most of Cisneros's blows to the body were caught on Thomas' forearms, and the Negro boxer rated points for his beautiful defensive tactics, causing Larry to miss many times. The Mexican scored with some of his blows to the body and he nailed John with overhand rights occasionally, but all the time Thomas was jabbing Larry with lefts and whipping in short righthand uppercuts.

Cisneros's furious attack caused Thomas to give ground and cover in the sixth and seventh rounds, yet it was the Negro boxer who had the most left in the final rounds and he copped the eighth and ninth frames, although Larry had an edge in the final heat, a furious toe-to-toe affair. Thomas weighed 138, Cisneros, 136.

In the semi, Pete Pacheco, 129, and Ruperto Garcia, 126, mauled through six rounds to a draw. It was a slow affair, the boys boxing like heavyweights.

In the remaining prelims, J. D. Spencer, 164, iced Frankie Calzada, 164, in just 25 seconds of the opening round. Calzada was out for a full minute, in short, the victim was unconscious longer than it required to put him in that state; Eddie Prince, 139, and Julio Franco, 140, fought a draw; Bob Hunter, 163, K.O.'ed Wilson Mackey, 160, in two; Frankie Russell, 156, whipped Billy Peterson, 157.

Eddie Prince, 138, glove-tossing Negro of Detroit, surprised in winning the six-round decision over Paulino Montez, 136, Mexico, at the Long Beach Auditorium. Prince got off to a nice start, rocking the good looking Mexican to his heels with a two-fisted attack in the opening round. The Detroiter tired in the late rounds and Montez came on to almost tie the score.

In supporting bouts, Pee Wee Swingler, Negro bantam, decisioned Mexican Bud Taylor in four; Bob Shipman, Negro heavyweight, bested Bob Nora in a four-round slugfest; Charley Salas, Mexican welter, K.O.'ed Tim Clark in the third; Jess McGowen, Negro heavyweight, nodded Carlton Perry in four; Luis Renteria, Mexican featherweight, stopped Chuck Edwards in the third.

Jack Chase wasn't mad at anyone when he squared off against Mad Anthony Jones in the Hollywood Stadium ring and he did the best he could to make his opponent look good. But after fooling around for a few rounds, the paid customers became mad at him, and before the evening was over Chase was mad at everyone, even his outclassed opponent.

Jones copped the first two rounds, as Chase couldn't be bothered about fighting back. However, a pep talk from Referee Reg Gilmore stirred him up a bit and he went to work on Anthony in the third. Jack shook Jones up with hard uppercuts and rights to the head, and Anthony sported a cut and puffed eye as he went to his corner. Chase became lackadaisical again in the fourth, but a warning from the referee aroused him enough to cuff Anthony a bit in the fifth, and the booing of the crowd caused him to really lay it on Jones in the next two rounds.

Mad Jack Chase pummeled his overrated foe lustily in the sixth and seventh. Jones was so badly mussed up at the end of the seventh that the bout was halted and awarded to the Colorado Negro on a T.K.O. Chase weighed 168, Jones 165.

In the semi, the promising Paulino Montez, 135, of Mexico, stopped Charley Miegel, 134, Kansas City, in the 6th round. It was a fast-action go, but Montez was most always in command and had Miegel in a bad way when the bout was halted.

In the four-rounders, Homer McGrew, 167, whipped Henry Rich, 161; Jimmy Webster, 140, won by T.K.O. over Ruiz Llanes, 143, in the fourth; Mickey Simon, 148, chilled Manuel Reveles, 151, in the first; Al Callahan, 161, decisioned Bob Guess, 161, in the opener.

There are some red faces up around Fresno way. Sheik Rangel had made a few mediocre performances in recent months and he was stopped in a round not long ago, so, many of the "experts" had him all "washed up". However, the Sheik was matched with Don Lee at Ryan's Auditorium, right in the heart of Fresno. Probably so that Rangel's friends could pay their respects at the passing of a game fighter, for, Lee has been whipping them all and is a helava assignment for a "washed up" fighter.

But, what do you think? That's right, Rangel won over Lee. It was a torrid scrap every minute of the way and the edge in any round, no matter which battler earned it, was close. Rangel, in the best condition he has been in for over a year, surprised by standing toe-to-toe with his perpetual-punching foe and finishing as fresh as the tireless Nebraskan. It was an in-close affair with lots of body punishment. That Rangel's margin was slim is seen by Referee Frankie Brown's score card, which had the Sheik ahead by only two points. Rangel weighed 152, Lee 153. A capacity crowd paid in $3400.

In supporting bouts, George Smith, 160, Fresno, stopped Bud Thomas, 168, Los Angeles, in the third; Julio Franco, 141, Bakersfield, decisioned Al Robinson, 143, Fresno, in six; Bill Kingsland, 170, Los Angeles, K.O.'ed George Kennedy, 178, Fresno, in three; Bob Lee, 165, Los Angeles, and Bob Lee, 168, Fresno Negro, fought to a draw in four; Gilbert Mendoza, 125, Firebaugh, nodded Young Pancho, 126, Fresno, in four.

Rocky Luciano, 155, Harrisburg (Pa.) Italian, pounded out a ten-round decision over Berry Wright, 152, Cleveland Negro, at the Ocean Park arena. It was a bruising affair and both fighters were bleeding freely at the finish.

Other results: Bob Guess, 161, decisioned Chuck Railey, 160, in four; Frankie Calzada, 164, iced Herman Bounds, 169, in the first heat; Ramiro Lopez, 129, beat Sammy Williams, 130, in four; Phil Cobos, 160, disposed of Lou Mosely, 155, in the second; Richie Fusilier, 142, K.O.'ed Willie Tatum, 141, in three.

Melvin Johnson, 148, Chicago Negro, eked out a close decision over Bobby Lakin, 151, flashy Negro boxer of New York, in a 10-rounder at the San Diego Coliseum. It was a fast-moving encounter, with the New Yorker forcing the pace and landing the most punches. But Lakin's blows are of the rat-tat-tat variety, while Johnson jabs stiffly and hooks with power, and his harder hitting earned him the edge he was given.

Tacha Cota stopped Flash Gordon in the third; Joe Nevarez bested Buddy Taylor in six; Jess McGowen defeated Bob Shipman in six; Jess Humber K.O.'ed Ruffy Waddell in three.

Back in civvies with the opportunity to train properly for his bouts, Carlos Chavez is definitely one of the contenders for the featherweight title. In his first start since his Army discharge, the Los Angeles Mexican disposed of Bobby Jackson of Denver, in the fourth round at the Los Angeles Olympic. Although a bit off on his timing, Chavez was the same rugged, aggressive and solid punching scrapper who made it tough for Manuel Ortiz before the war.

The spirited Jackson made a fight of it for a couple of rounds, but here was a different fighter than Bobby had ever faced before and there was little doubt as to what the outcome would be. The Colorado boxer's previous competition had

been of the "duration" variety and Bobby faded fast when Carlos once got down to the business at hand. Chavez gave Jackson a terrific body beating in the third and fourth rounds, but was a badly cut eye that ended the bout and shortened Bobby's miserable evening. The bout was awarded to Carlos on a T.K.O. in the fourth. Each weighed 128.

In the semi-windup, the speedy Fabela Chavez, 130, won by T.K.O. over Pete Pacheco, 128, in two rounds, when a cut eye prevented Pacheco from coming out for the third. Chavez had outclassed his foe every minute of the way.

In the remaining prelims, Jackie McCoy, 130, was held to a draw by Ruperto Garcia, 129, in the special, (4); Jess Hall, 187, upset the dope by winning the nod over Babe Edwards, 180, (4); Frankie (Calzo) Calzada, 160, beat Bob Hawkins, 157, (4); Rudy Turner, 155, decisioned Chuck Railey, 153, (4)

Tommy Garland, 183, Culver City, proved too ringwise for Harry Wills, 175, South Bend, Ind., in a six-rounder at the Long Beach Auditorium. The Negro boxer kept it a fight up to the final gong, but Garland's elusiveness and occasional hard rights to the head gave him four of the rounds by good margins.

Other results: Bob Nora, Negro heavyweight, copped a close decision over Bob Shipman, San Diego, in four; Pee Wee Swingler, Negro featherweight, and Johnny Martinez of Los Angeles, fought a four-round draw; Lito Perez, Los Angeles welterweight, nodded Charley Salas in four; Luis Renteria, San Diego featherweight, beat Roosevelt Bonner in four; Art Diaz, San Diego featherweight, T.K.O.'ed Speedy Moore in the third.

Don Lee, transplanted Nebraskan, and Jackie Ryan of San Francisco, fought their rematch at Hollywood Stadium. They had met a few weeks previously at Fresno. And their retake was a reasonable facsimile of the clash at the Raisin City. Lee bored in continually, tossing leather from every angle. Not being able to keep his tireless foe at bay, Ryan was forced to slug it out with Don, at which game the Irishman ran a poor second.

Ryan nailed his onrushing foe with some solid uppercuts occasionally, but Lee didn't give Jackie time to get set to deliver enough of these effective blows to win more than three of the rounds. Don's pace was so hot that the 'Frisco boxer was forced to retreat many times, but after a breathing spell the game Irishman came right back to where the fighting was being done. Most of Lee's points were scored with blows to the body. Ryan might have done a little better had he dropped in to see the barber en route to the arena, for he spent much time brushing back his curly locks. Lee weighed 153, Ryan, 152.

In the semi, Francis Ogg, 173, Sacramento, won a close decision over Allen Arnett, 172, in a six-round slugfest. Both remained perpendicular throughout, but each experienced that buzzing in the head.

In the four-rounders, Ozzie Lewis, 151, K.O.'ed Lou Mosely, 152, in the second; Homer McGrew, 165, defeated Henry Rich, 161; Lito Perez, 151, stopped Mickey Simon, 145, in four; Mike De La Rosa, 118, nodded Freddie Hernandez, 119.

Kenny Watkins, 162, clever Los Angeles Negro, turned back the promising Jimmy Rickards, 164, by stopping the hard-punching easterner in the second round at the Ocean Park arena. The second round, that is. It was an entirely different story in the first round. Rickards dropped Kenney for an eight-count in the opening heat and Watkins had to use his wits, clinching technique and a prayer to stick the round out.

But, class will tell and Kenny came out in the second to do to Jimmy as he had been done by. A short right to the jaw felled Rickards for the count.

In supporting bouts, Flash Gordon, 141, San Diego, decisioned Mario Luna, 138, (4); Richie Mendoza, 130, decisioned Luis Renteria, 128, (4); Jess Hall, 186, defeated Jim Brickman, 176, (4); Billy Peterson, 158, won over Henry Carrillo, 155, (4).

They had a little track meet up Fresno way with Abel Lucero, 135, Fresno, and Sal Sanchez, 136, San Diego, doing the running. Lucero's pedaling was forward, which makes for a better fight, which this meeting was advertised to be. But Sanchez couldn't have done better for himself (and worse for the customers) if he had been on the rear end of an observation car. Had his back-pedaling been on a straight line, Sal would have reached the Border long before Lucero could have tagged him.

Sanchez was staggered with a hard right on the jaw in the opening round, which convinced him that trying to outrun the stiff-punching Fresnoan would be more healthy than trying to outfight him. Lucero caught up with the Mexican marathoner in the sixth, gave him a going over and stopped him in the seventh. But then, Sanchez is really only a preliminary fighter.

Other results: Ramiro Lopez, 130, Tia Juana, Mex., whipped Baby Santiago, 130, Stockton, in six; Mike Villaneuva, 160, Los Angeles, K.O.'ed Carlos Banuelos, 160, Firebaugh, in the second; Bobby Lee, 168, Fresno, decisioned Johnny Rogers, 170, Fresno, in four.

Fred Apostoli, former middleweight champ, was the referee.

Bobby Yaeger and Memo Llanes moved their feud over to the Los Angeles Olympic, but it is still a question as to who is the better man. They had battled three times at the Movie City with unsatisfactory results. This fourth clash ended in a draw, but many in the crowd and some of the sport scribes thought that Llanes rated the verdict. This poor soul thought the decision perfect, but didn't think much of Yaeger's fight. It was nothing like the one he staged with Nick Moran, a few weeks previously.

Llanes bored in continually and made Yaeger miss a lot in the earlier rounds, but Bobby was connecting with solid rights and uppercuts in the late heats. Memo was going great guns during the fourth, fifth and sixth rounds, getting in some solid blows to the body and rocking Yaeger's head with overhand rights, but the Mexican tired badly after that and the Negro boxer came on to punish Memo in the eighth, ninth and tenth and tie the score. Both suffered cut and swollen eyes. Yaeger weighed 139, Llanes, 140.

In the semi, Jimmy Coleman, 163, defeated Homer McGrew, 165, in an uninteresting six-rounder. Both are good fighters, but their styles didn't jell.

In remaining prelims, George Jenks, 203, stopped Hank Morris, 197, in the second; Ozzie Lewis, 153, bested Al Morey, 158, in four; Babe Huerta, 136, defeated Ruiz Llanes, 141, in four; Alberto Ayala, 140, T.K.O.'ed Willie Tatum, 140, in the fourth.

Eddie Prince, busy Negro lightweight of Detroit, won handily over Dub Bowen in their six-rounder at the Long Beach Auditorium. It was an action fight with the Detroiter doing the most damage and getting in his best licks in the infighting.

Jackie McCoy, colorful Los Angeles featherweight, added to his local following by administering a lacing to Luis Renteria of Mexico, in a four-rounder that had the fans excited throughout.

In other bouts, Babe Edwards, promising Los Angeles heavyweight, felled Bob Shipman, San Diego Negro, in the second and won every heat of a rousing four-rounder; Pee Wee Swingler, Los Angeles Negro bantam, K.O.'ed Genero Valez in round one; Frankie Russell, Los Angeles middleweight, disposed of Clint Campbell in the opening heat.

A year ago, the war was still going on and good fighters were scarce. It was common to see preliminary scrappers headlining at the larger clubs. The situation is different today. There are a number of good boxers around, therefore, little excuse to feature mediocre talent on the big circuits. Recently, Roscoe Scally was elevated to the main-event class. He wasn't ready, but made good by stopping Chuey Figueroa.

Now, Lou Bernal, a prelim fighter, gets a crack at Scally, in Roscoe's second main-event at the Hollywood Stadium, and makes Roscoe look very, very bad. Since Bernal did nothing to rate the billing, the first good fighter to meet him will put Lou back in the sticks. And that is the way it could go. There may be a flock of one night "main-eventers" if this policy is continued. Any man is for seeing the youngster and "little guy" get his chance, but, he should have to earn it the hard way, and not be "gifted" with it while better fighters are performing for coffee-an' money.

Bernal probably made the best fight of his career. He jabbed and countered nicely, made Scally miss badly. Outclassed Roscoe at both long range and infighting, in fact, made the Negro slugger look like an amateur much of the time, and was credited with nine of the ten rounds. Bernal weighed 132, Scally, 130.

In the six-round semi, Joe Alvano, 130, copped a close decision over Jess Salazar, 131. The bout started at a slow pace, but ended up a slugfest.

In the four-rounders: Tacha Cota, 140, shellacked Jimmy Webster, 142; Babe Huerta, 137, stopped Rio Rico, 138, in the third; Freddie Hernandez, 119, decisioned Bobby Molina, 118; Pablo Ortiz, 120, nodded Jose Navarez, 121.

Well, well, look who's around tossing leather again! Yep, Baby Breese!

Maybe we had better refer to him as Quentin, for the Kansas veteran is no infant any longer. Making his first start in three years, Quentin experienced little trouble in beating Freddie Taylor of Colorado, in a 10-rounder at the San Diego Coliseum. In short, the Baby won in a Breese.

The go, although hard fought, was not very exciting because of its being fought at close quarters. Although Breese tired noticeably in the late rounds, he was capable of making spurts in the eighth and tenth rounds, in which he gave Taylor some miserable moments. Each weighed 137.

In the semi, Tony Becerra, 126, Mexico, flattened Carl Jacobs in the first round with a hard right to the jaw.

Other results: Bill Kingsland, 170, Los Angeles, stopped Young George in the fifth; Luis Renteria, 128, belted Henry Young out in the third; Bob Shipman, 195, rocked Jess McGowen to sleep in the fourth.

Bob Nestell, 190, Los Angeles veteran, made the second step of the hard road back by belting out Mike O'Grady, 212, in the sixth round at the Ocean Park arena. Bob looked better than in his first start a few weeks previously, but is far off the form he must regain to make the grade.

In supporting bouts, Jimmy Rickards, 165, K.O.'ed Dick Johnson in four; Frankie Russell, 157, iced Herman Bounds, 160, in the second; Eddie Cota, 148, put Larry McKay out of commission in the first, but for some strange reason Referee Joe Stone declared it "no contest." Jim Brinkman, 175, decisioned Rocky Schram in four; Bill Provost, 152, K.O.'ed Lou Mosely, 155, in the first.

Now that the Golden Gloves bouts are over, I'll settle down again to report the full California notes as heretofore. It's been a tough job handling the above notes while acting as Golden Gloves coach.

IN SAN FRANCISCO RINGS

By ROBERT VALLI

SAN FRANCISCO proved that it could hold its own as one of the top boxing centers of the world, by drawing a gross of $33,259 for the first title match staged here since 1933, 13 years ago. The match was between Champion Manuel Ortiz, defending his bantamweight crown for the thirteenth time and leading contender Luis Castillo. The winner and still champ was Manuel, on a kayo in the thirteenth round.

The go ended with a hard punch to the badly beaten challenger's stomach. But it wasn't the blow that made a great gamester like Castillo quit, it was his inability to see—for both of his eyes were swollen closed by the champion's lefts to the face.

The bout was a thrilling affair. From the first round on they used a toe-to-toe style and slugged. For two minutes in the third round, the two lads banged away with all they had. Luis eked out an edge in the fourth, but from then on Ortiz was the master.

Both boys scaled 117½.

The prelims follow: Angelo Rogers, 132, scored an upset by defeating Tony Rodriquez, 135, local slugger, in six rounds; Carl Olson 160, continued his undefeated ways by kayoing Delaware Bradby, 164, ex-amateur star, in the third; Al Irwin, 136, a newcomer, looked good winning on a knockout in the second over Jimmy Haller, 134, Oakland. Jack Downey refereed the title scrap.

Tony Olivera, 122, local bantamweight contender, had an easy foe in Joey Puig, 120, New York, and scored a kayo in two sessions at the Coliseum Bowl.

A right to the jaw was the payoff punch. In the little we saw of Puig, he looks the part of a fair hitter, but no standout against California's best, Olivera, Castillo and Ortiz.

In the semifinal, Carl Olson, 160, experienced no difficulty in flattening Pedro Jiminez, 143, in the fourth. However, Olson had a 17-pound weight advantage. Jiminez was down several times.

Tony Rodriguez, 139½, stablemate of Olson, also registered a knockout. He put the sleeper on Bill Carlisle, 137½, in two.

Billy Mayfield, 154, kayoed Al Pecora, 160, in one round, to make it a complete "kayo" show.

Two of Northern California's fast coming prospects battled to a neat draw in the main go at San Jose's Civic Auditorium. They were Tony Chavez, 141, a local product, and Nate Huskey, 140, San Francisco. The eight-rounder was a thriller with everything even at the finish.

Undercard: Sam Hughes, 172, upset the dope by defeating Gil Mojica, 170, in six; Jimmy (Kid) Haller, 136, won over Freddie Killingham, 138, in four; Joe Ricco, 160, kayoed Pat McLeary, 156, in three.

Jimmy Bivins, topnotch heavyweight contender, banged out a hard-fought ten-round decision over Billy Smith, state 175-pound titleholder in the Oakland Auditorium.

Smith proved to be a gamester, although floored and beaten badly he made Bivins step throughout the bout. The Clevelander looked anything but the No. 3 heavyweight he is ranked, for Smith made him miss plenty, even though he won all but three rounds.

Weights were: Bivins, 186; Oakland Billy, 175.

In the semifinal, Lincoln Stanley, 151, won a technical knockout over Billy Harrison, 149, in six rounds. Harrison lost on a bad cut eye.

Charley Cato, 159½, got his hand raised in six rounds over Cecilio Lozada, 163, who was making a comeback after a long layoff. In the opener, Joe Ybarra, 150, decisioned Willie Butler, 153, in six.

Al (Big Boy) Brown, Negro heavyweight, won on a knockout over Leroy Evans, Oaklander, making a comeback, in six rounds of a tenner at National Hall.

Brown, weighing 266, scored easily over Evans, who tired. Evans scaled 222.

Gil Mojica, 170, amateur light-heavyweight champion, decisioned Sammy Hughes, 172, Detroit Negro, in a rough, tough ten-rounder. Mojica was the slugger and Hughes the boxer. It was a close, bitterly fought battle from start to finish, with the fans equally divided over the nod.

Prelims: Bobby Lee, 168, won a technical kayo over Al Pecora, 161, in two heats; Billy Mayfield, 158, and M. C. Daniels, 164, went to a four-round draw.

Lowell Strong, Negro heavyweight from Honolulu, stepped in as a substitute for Tony Bosnich, local sensation and gave John Donnelly, Los Angeles Negro, a terrific fight at the Coliseum Bowl.

Donnelly won on a T.K.O. after Strong had given all he had and was out on his feet. It was Lowell's first fight in a long while. This, plus being a sub, are good excuses for running out of gas.

It was a pip of a battle for the six rounds it lasted. Both were aggressive and put on a slugging match.

Weights were: Donnelly, 187; Strong, 204.

Other results: Carl Olson, 158½, fought his toughest fight to date and won on a decision over Chuck Ross, 160, rough-tough middleweight, in six rounds. Jack Hannon Porter, 178½, defeated Douglas Ellison, 196, in a close disputed decision. Joe Davis, 185, won over Edwin Keller, 184, in six rounds.

For using almost every dirty trick in boxing on Jimmy "Top Row" Allen, Art Lind received a terrific lacing and lost on a T.K.O. in the ninth round. The more Lind, Honolulu veteran, would butt, hit low, hit after a break, the more Allen, local middleweight, would give him a beating. This bout took place at National Hall. I doubt if Lind will ever main-event in 'Frisco again.

Weights were: Allen, 155; Lind, 158.

In the semi-windup, Martin Goldberg, Oakland Jewish heavyweight, 202, made his first comeback bout a winning one over Jack Louis, 186, an unknown, by a knockout in two rounds. Young Salvatore, 145, defeated Al Robinson, 146, in six. Marvin Baker, 178, defeated Edwin Keller, 181, in six rounds.

Jess Flores, unbeaten Stockton lightweight, came through in the pinch for Promoter Benny Ford by stepping in as a substitute for ailing Ritchie Shinn. Flores fought Eddie Prince, newcomer from the East, who immediately made a hit with the fans because of his aggressive style.

The battle was hotly contested and had the Coliseum Bowl fans cheering wildly. Prince's willingness to trade wallops with the Stockton Mexican won him many supporters. Flores walked off with the nod after a bruising ten-rounder.

Weights were: Flores, 144; Prince, 136½.

Undercard: Gil Mojica, 168, defeated Buster Peakes, 163½, in six rounds. M. C. Daniels, 162, decisioned Obie Wooten, 169½, in four. Billy Mayfield, 154, won over Jimmy Simmons, 150, in four. Bobby Jones, 149, scored a nod over Joe Guzman, 145, in four.

Earl Turner, Oakland Gate magnet, fast approaching pre-war form, won on a T.K.O. over Paul Lewis, Oakland Negro gamester, in four rounds at the Oakland Auditorium.

The bout was stopped when Lewis' eye was cut badly and the house doctor called a halt. The scrap was a slugfest with first one then the other landing their Sunday punches.

Lewis dropped Turner for a nine-count in the third. He arose and battered Lewis around the ring for the remainder of the round.

Weights were: Turner, 149½, Lewis, 156½.

In the semifinal, Nate Huskey 136½, and Ray Lewis, 133, Los Angeles Negro, fought to a draw in a rematch eight-rounder. Lewis got the nod in their first match. Huskey won an edge in the early heats, but the invader evened up matters with a late rally.

The fours: Jay O'Brien, Marine Irish heavy, 185, kayoed Marvin Baker, 182, with a left hook to the jaw in the first. Chris Sponsel, 138, won over Rudy Soto, 143, by a T.K.O. in the fourth of a thriller. In the opener, Bobby Jones, 151, decisioned Billy Lee, 146½, in four.

In a slugging match, featuring two southpaws, Cecilio Lozada won a ten-round decision over Larry Carter, local Negro, at the National Hall. Lozada, who is making a comeback, was a little too cagy for the youngster.

Weights were: Lozada, 153, Carter, 157.

In the semifinal, Leroy Wade, 158, discharged Negro, stopped Chief Collins, 151, in a three-rounder; Leo Green, 197, knocked Jess Slocum, 179, out in three rounds; Frankie Rao, 164, got his hand raised over Reuben Flores, 158, in four rounds.

Tommy Egan, local favorite, rallied to win a ten-round decision over Regino Aguilla, Mexican crowd-pleaser, in 'Frisco Civic Auditorium.

Aguilla, a gamecock, had both eyes cut and closed, while the local Irish lad had one injured optic. Egan, trailing, pushed ahead in the ninth and tenth to grab the deserved nod.

In another tenner, Abel Cestac, Argentine heavy, won on a technical knockout over Doug Ellison, Oakland Negro, in four rounds.

Cestac punched too hard for the Eastern boy and was awarded the T.K.O. after dropping his opponent several times.

Weights were: Cestac, 220; Ellison, 186½.

Prelims: Willie Brown, 186, stopped Jess McGowan, 192, in five rounds of a sixer. Brown, a comer, punched holes through McGowan's defense to win handily. Billy Mayfield, 155, copped the opener over Jimmy Simmons, 140, by a T.K.O. in four.

From this corner it looks like Paulie Peters, 'Frisco middleweight, and Chester Slider, Oakland Negro, will battle on and on with neither winning by a big margin. For the two lads battled for the fourth time and the result was their third draw. It was a tenner held at Oakland.

The fans booed the verdict, some favoring Peters, others Slider. It was a thriller, just like the others with a draw the best decision. House grossed $12,262.

In the semifinal, Benny Colla, 140, kayoed Rio Rico, 140, Los Angeles, in three rounds. Colla, a future headliner, easily subdued the importee.

Leo Green, 194, and Joe Davis, 185, drew in six rounds; Edwin Keller, 177, improved Oakland Negro, and Jay O'Brien, 192, Irish heavy, drew in four; Chris Sponsel, 135, classy lightweight, defeated Jimmy (Kid) Haller, 135, in the four-round opener.

Lloyd DeLucchi, local Italian middleweight, made his comeback fight and held tough Sam Hughes, Detroit Negro, to a ten-round draw at National Hall.

As always in the past, a capacity crowd was on hand to see DeLucchi fight. Hughes outboxed the veteran but the latter landed the harder blows to even things up.

IOWA, NEBRASKA AND SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS

By BILL HAWKINS

DES MOINES, IA.—Tony Zale, Gary, Ind., world's middleweight champion, knocked out Oscar Boyd, Buffalo, N. Y., in the third round of a scheduled 10-round nontitle bout. Zale weighed 159, Boyd 166½.

Boyd was saved by the bell in the second round and was lifted to his corner. He went down in a flurry of rights and lefts at the start of the next heat and was counted out in 34 seconds.

In the semi-windup, Billy Heath, 137-pound Des Moines Negro, surprised the crowd of approximately 4,500 by knocking out Del Cockayne, Des Moines, in 2:27 of the first round. Cockayne, Drake university football star who quit school last month in order to earn ring money to pay his income tax, went down from a hard right to the jaw. He weighed 135½.

Minnesota, Minn.—In the near future Minnesota will have a boxing club sponsored by the Catholic Order of Foresters of St. Edward's parish. A committee of 10 has been appointed to make the plans for the club and a set of complete ring equipment has been ordered for the use of the local boxers.

Des Moines, Ia.—Abel Cestac, champion heavyweight boxer of Argentina, protege of Luis Angel Firpo and Jack Dempsey, will make his headquarters in Des Moines while he campaigns in the middlewest.

Sioux City, Ia.—Magnus Hourscht, Sioux City's representative in the welterweight class of the Chicago Golden Gloves tourney, was awarded the Barney Ross trophy for sportsmanship. Hourscht was eliminated in the quarterfinals in an unpopular decision and won the admiration of tournament sponsors for his excellent conduct.

Previous Golden Gloves experience for Hourscht included a try in 1944 when he represented the Slayton, Minn., team and went to the Minneapolis district. At that session he lost to Milt Herrick in the quarterfinals. Herrick went on to win the welter title at Chicago that year.

One Sioux City Golden Glover previously had won a trophy in Chicago. In 1945, Wesley Milnes was awarded the Zale trophy.

Omaha, Neb.—Frank Herrick, 112 pounder, was the only one of four Council Bluffs, Ia., entries to survive the opening round of the Midwest Golden Gloves tournament here. Herrick decisioned Bob Gillogy of Omaha in his only appearance in the ring.

Des Moines, Ia.—Jack Dempsey, former world's heavyweight champion, and Tony Zale, middleweight champion, are now members of the "I" club of the University of Iowa.

Zale signed an "I" club membership card while here for a fight and Promoter Pinkie George contacted Dempsey by telephone and sold him a membership.

Des Moines, Ia.—Abel Cestac, the Argentine heavyweight, knocked out Clarence Jones of Buffalo, N. Y., in the fourth round of their scheduled eight round fight. Cestac floored Jones three times prior to the knockout. Cestac weighed 220; Jones 199.

Del Cockayne, 133, former Drake football player, stopped Billy Heath, 136, another Des Moines fighter, in the second round of their scheduled eight rounder.

Last Minute Sparks—The *Journal-Tribune's* 12th annual Golden Gloves tournament was one of the most successful ever held here. Due to the limited seating capacity of the Shrine auditorium it did not set an attendance record, but it came very close to doing so. However, it did set a record in the matter of contestants—73 boys participated—and it set a record in thrill for the spectators.

The following were crowned champions on the final night:

112 pounds—Patrick Mansfield of Sioux City.
118 pounds—Dwight Shaver of Mason City, Ia.
126 pounds—Gale Outhouse, South Sioux City, Neb.
135 pounds—Gayus Outhouse, South Sioux City.
147 pounds—Frank Schmitz, Sioux City.
160 pounds—Holly Hollenbeck, Sioux City.
175 pounds—Bill Rensch, Sioux City.
Heavyweight—Dick Kane, Wisner, Neb.

From Norfolk, Neb., we have the following announcement that the 1947 Northeast Golden Gloves tournament will be held at Norfolk on January 23, 24 and 31. . . . W. H. Harrison is tourney director. . . . Dr. A. L. Birch well known boxing referee around Worthington, Minn., has moved to Shelbyville, Ky. . . . Down at Omaha, Neb., Coach Paul Hartnek, former heavyweight boxer, is doing right well with his Boys Town boxing team. . . . Vince Foster, Omaha amateur, reached the semifinal bouts of the Chicago Tournament of Champions. . . . He was coached by the well known Roy Feltman and his trainer was Tony Miller. . . . Another star in the Chicago tourney was Orlan Ott, of Hartley, Ia. . . . Mail for this spot will reach the writer at 2206 N. Lafayette, Sioux City, Ia. . . . From Flandreau, S. D., comes word that Sidney Beane, former boxing and athletic coach at the Flandreau Indian school, has returned from the service. . . . Send me your boxing news, and boxers who are free lance get in touch with me.

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AN EXPLODED PHENOM

The Story of Bill Squires, Australian Heavyweight

BORN in 1907, Bill Squires, Australian pugilist, man-eater and miner, arose in his might and challenged the world. "I've beaten the life out of everybody in the Antipodes," roared Bill. "I just can't find my equal. Let me get at some of those bloated American blowhards."

Bill's wild bellow swept with whirlwind speed across the rugged topography of the Antipodes, gathered strength as it aged and shot with hurricane speed across the wave-crested bosom of the Pacific.

The blast threatened to wreak destruction in the American pugilistic ranks, greater even than the damage wrought in San Francisco by the great quake. Yankee pugs trembled when they heard of Squires' blast. Many of the minor pugs hastily purchased one-way tickets to the regions where the timber grows the thickest.

Bill followed. On the day he was to set foot on American soil every Yankee awaited the shock; expected the continent to rock when the mighty Bill stepped ashore.

BILL CAME. He was a cheap-looking man-eater. Almost big but not quite. Had a pug's dome all right, and talked the lingo of the squared circle with an ease and seeming understanding that almost made some respect for him.

BILL SAW. He looked over the rank and file of America's pugdom. He smiled agreeably when he met Jack O'Brien. He knew there was no harm in the Quaker. He looked a bit disturbed when he caught a glimpse of Tommy Burns, and was ready to return to that dear old Australia when he took in the fearful proportions of Jim Jeffries.

BILL CON—. Bill was no Caesar. One hefty wallop, manned by Tommy Burns, did the business. He was knocked out in 2:09 of the first round at Colma.

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BROADCAST FROM NEW YORK

By IRVING RUDD

FOUR boxing champions, all ex-servicemen, faced opposition during the past month when Gus Lesnevich, Willie Pep, Bob Montgomery and Manuel Ortiz plied their fistic wares, the first three in the Garden and Ortiz in California.

Of the quartet, Ortiz was the only man to place his title on the block, hammering out a thirteenth round kayo over Luis Castillo in San Francisco. Pep was to have defended his crown against Sal Bartolo, but Sal was sick, and the formidable Jimmy McAllister was substituted. Willie the Wisp showed unusual punching power in flattening the Baltimore Negro. Lesnevich invaded the heavyweight ranks to take on high ranking Lee Oma and emerged a poor second. How he will fare with his light-weight crown on the block against Archie Moore or Billy Fox remains problematical.

Montgomery was his usual durable self against the tough Greenwich Village youngster, Tony Pellone. Despite severe injuries suffered in an automobile accident which resulted in the Bobcat's discharge from the Army, Montgomery showed plenty of his prewar form.

Here in detail is how three of the four kingpins fared in their first important postwar bouts, the California bout being left to our Pacific Coast scribe, Harry Winkler.

Light-heavyweight Champion Gus Lesnevich's postwar quest for heavyweight title honors came to a sad and abrupt end before 16,087 fans at Madison Square Garden when the clever clown, Lee Oma of Detroit, split his left eye wide open to stop Lesnevich at the end of the fourth round of a scheduled ten spot.

The Commission physician, Dr. William Walker, summoned by Referee Arthur Donovan, declared that the cut under Lesnevich's lower lid was "in a dangerous position and that serious damage to Lesnevich's eye might have resulted."

Oma, weighing 189½, lost the first two rounds as Gus, serious and determined, kept crowding lackadaisical Lee, firing some good shots at the Detroiter's body.

Lee came back in the third to outcute Lesnevich as he stabbed the light-heavyweight king with smart lefts and raised a mouse under Gus's orb. In the fourth and final frame, Oma split the injured eye and the claret began to trickle in copious quantities. Oma also stung and dropped Lesnevich for a no count in the fatal fourth; Lesnevich scaled 183, and the receipts were $74,682.

In the semi-final of six rounds Ralph Ivins, 192½, Jamesburg, N. J., floored and defeated Marty Clark, 195½, Long Island City. Clint Miller, 126¾, Newark, N. J., protege of Red Cochrane, outboxed Joe Aponte Torres, 126, Puerto Rico, over the six-round route. A third six went to Wendy Wilson, 150¾, Trinidad, B. W. I., as he defeated Rudy Campa, 148, Los Angeles, Cal.

Al Victoria, 138½, Harlem, stopped Tommy Mills, 140½, Hempstead, L. I., in 1:44 of the fourth round of a slated six staged after the main go. Buster Peppe, 173, New York, won the opener from Luther McMillen, 168, Alabama.

Exhibiting unusual punching power, World's Featherweight Champion, Willie Pep, 129½, Hartford, Conn., flattened,—but really flattened!—Jimmy McAllister, 128, Baltimore, Md., contender, in 2:44 of the second round of a scheduled ten round non-title go at Madison Square Garden. A crowd of 18,914 who paid $63,937, saw Pep's withering left to the body blast, not only the championship hopes of McAllister, but put a dent in numerous bookmakers' pockets as well as silencing the crepe hangers who had Willie tabbed as all finished.

McAllister, a substitute for the ailing N.B.A. 126 pound kingpin, Sal Bartolo, who was to have met Pep in a title match, had fought a hectic draw with Pep in his home bailiwick of Baltimore. Jimmy had floored Pep in the previous bout and was even money at ringtime to defeat the champion. Wise Connecticut rooters, however, stuck to their homestate idol, despite glowing reports of the great form flashed by the Baltimore Negro in his gym workouts.

In the first round, McAllister stepped around smoothly and confidently. He rocked Pep with a sweet straight right, handled himself well in close, and took the initial canto with plenty to spare.

The second round saw Pep employ some of the clever defensive tactics for which he is famed. Willie snapped home a few stinging lefts, but hardly anyone, least of all McAllister, was prepared for the thundering blows about to land. The men were exchanging punches a little off mid-ring at a fast clip. Pep scored with a sizzling right that hurt McAllister, but he shook it off. Then came a scorching wallop to the pit of the stomach which many failed to see.

McAllister staggered back at least six feet, acted as if he intended to resume his fighting stance, and then toppled over flat on his back, dead to the world in Pep's corner as Referee Johnny Burns counted him out.

Burns could well have kept counting until June 7 when Pep and Bartolo will meet to settle the featherweight title muddle.

A spirited six round slugfest, one of the greatest prelims seen in the Garden in quite awhile, went to aggressive Lou Valles, 148½, New York, who packed a bit more power than Irving Palefsky, 149½, of the Bronx.

In a six rounder staged after the Pep tilt, Cleo Everett, 196½, New York, outpunched Verne Esco, 185, Toronto, Can. Ruby Kessler, 141½, Brooklyn, won in six from Rudy Campa, 144, Los Angeles, Cal., while Johnny Cesario, 141, Boston, defeated Jimmy Anest, 139, Hackensack, N. J., in six rounds.

Joe Torrens, 145, Brooklyn, and Tony DeRosa, 148, Newark, N. J., battled to a draw in the four round opener.

Showing the worst form since he gained recognition as New York State's world lightweight champion, Bob Montgomery, 139¾, easily defeated Tony Pellone, 143, Greenwich Village youngster in a non-title ten rounder before 12,686 fans at Madison Square Garden. Pellone was a poor match for a $12 tops show against the "champ."

Except for the first two frames, when Pellone, constantly on the move, kept peppering Montgomery with plenty of clean shots, the Bobcat won all by himself, but failed to show championship calibre. In close, Pellone was like a lost child. He didn't know what to do.

Montgomery kept crowding his man continuously. The boring in tactics paid off handsomely in the third canto as Montgomery pummeled Pellone at close range with a varied assortment of rights and lefts to the head and body. Tony's left eye was cut as Bob kept forcing him from rope to rope to win the round by a mile.

Despite the fact that Pellone came back to even the tally in the fourth round on clean punching, it was obvious by now that he was in way over his head. Montgomery relentlessly worked Tony over in close so that his left orb was badly bruised in the eighth heat.

The game New Yorker came back to make a good show in the final frame as the Quaker City clouter coasted at the finish, but it did him no good so far as the decision was concerned as Referee Ruby Goldstein and Judges Jim Hagan and Marty Monroe voted unanimously for the Bobcat.

Julio Cesar Jiminez, 137½, Mexico, overcame the left jabbing of Jimmy Pierce, 139¾, Vancouver, B. C., and copped the six round semi-final. Three other sixes saw Ray Powell, 143¾, Newark, N. J., defeat Charlie Davis, 140, Jersey City, N. J., Sal Richie, 150, New York, outscore Torpedo Reed, 146¾, Los Angeles, Cal., and Jackie Floyd, 126½, Philadelphia, beat Danny Carabella, 122½, Bronx, in a good bout.

The opener went to Vincent Gigante, 172, Los Angeles, who decisioned Luther McMillen, 170½, Alabama.

Eddie Borden, former RING correspondent, now a licensed bookmaker in London, bills himself as a "Turf Accountant."

Pictures of Ray Robinson and Joe Louis are given prominent space in the background of a barroom scene in the great play "Anna Lucasta". . . . Bill Walsh, local fight figure, has obtained a license to promote boxing in Youngstown, Ohio. . . . This will mark the first time the Youngstown fight faithful have seen boxing promotions in their home bailiwick for several years although Tony Janiro, Lenny Mancini, Joey Carkido, and in years past, Jack Trammell hailed from there. . . . Walsh plans to feature Ohio favorites.

With Jamaica Arena and the Golden Gate club now open to pro boxing, New York fistic followers can see a fight card every night in the week but Sunday. . . . The lineup is as follows: Monday, St. Nick's; Tuesday, Broadway Arena, Park Arena; Wednesday, Jamaica Arena; Thursday, Golden Gate; Friday, Madison Square Garden; Saturday, Ridgewood Grove.

Press Row Palaver. . . . Seated next to Marcel Hansenne, the French mile runner at the Pep-McAllister shindig, we learned that of all the French fighters, Hansenne, a sportswriter, is highest on Marcel Cerdan. . . . Cerdan can whip many of our leading middleweights, Marcel avers, and may very well defeat Ray Robinson if they are ever matched. . . . The Famechon brothers, and Theo. Medina are also highly touted by Hansenne.

Maynard (Mutt) Womer, 3rd, leading socialite, who boxed with fair success a few years back, flattening Jackie Conn and Johnny Colan among others, will marry Miss Lois Warner, of the very upper strata in society soon.

Peter Fuller, strapping son of the former Massachusetts governor, Alvin M. Fuller, is going great guns in the amateur ranks. . . . Peter is five feet eleven inches tall, weighs 192 pounds, and is a terrific puncher. . . . Although he has compiled a good string of wins, it is doubtful if Pete can be persuaded to turn pro.

Midget Wolgast, former world's flyweight champion, now a portly gent weighing about 150 pounds, is training Eddie Giosa, Philadelphia lightweight. . . . Wolgast is one of the last of the old guard of 112 pounders who made ring history more than two decades ago.

Texas Lee Harper, popular New York featherweight who was one of the very first boxers in the country to enlist in the Army, is now fully recovered from numerous severe wounds which literally punctured him full of holes . . . Harper was hospitalized at Mitchel Field where little

hope was held for his complete recovery. . . . He will not return to boxing.

Julio Cesar Jiminez, colorful Mexican welterweight who has scored sensationally in three starts at Madison Square Garden, has already established himself as the Lucius Beebe of the boxing world. . . . In his first appearance against Archie Wilmer, he was resplendent in a pair of sartorially elegant black velvet boxing trunks. . . . Boxing Jimmy Pierce on the Montgomery-Pellone card Julio even had the Man from Mars, Orson Welles, gazing in disbelief as he pranced around in his corner shod in black *suede* boxing shoes! . . . Babe Hunt, ex-heavyweight star, who once defeated Jimmy Braddock and boxed an exhibition with Jack Dempsey, is doing right well as a boxing promoter in Oklahoma City.

And now for the bouts of the month in New York City:

The first of the new postwar fight clubs, the Golden Gate Arena, long dormant to boxing, presented its initial show with welterweight contender Tommy Bell, 149¾, Youngstown, O., scoring a second round knockout over Billy Furrone, 148½, Philadelphia, in the scheduled ten round star bout. The time was 1:04.

Furrone, a rugged mittman who has gone the route with many hard hitters, was making a fine stand against the highly favored Bell when an inside right to the chin flattened him.

Marty Clark, 196, Astoria, L. I., belted out Johnny Willard, 202½, Brooklyn, in 2:40 of the first round of the semi-final bout.

Ben Pickett, 180, San Francisco, knocked out Jimmy Davenport, 185, New York, in 1:57 of the second round. Jimmy Davis, 157¾, Pittsburgh, whipped Lew Perez, 160, Puerto Rico, in a lively six. .

The opener failed to go the distance when Peter Cabe, 145, Puerto Rico, hung one on Jerry Brown, 144, Brooklyn, in 1:42 of the third.

Lee Q. Murray, 207½, Norwalk, Conn., once a leading heavyweight contender, scored his second kayo in his new quest for membership in the select circle when he flattened Larry Lane, 203½, Trenton, N. J., in 1:44 of the second round of a scheduled ten at the Park Arena.

In sixes, Rocco Rossano, 144¾, Brooklyn, beat Frank Parchia, 147½, Jamaica, L. I., Freddie Beadle, 160½, Harlem, stopped Charley McPherson, 163, Brooklyn, in the second canto, and Mel Hawkins, 163, Jamaica, L. I., decisioned Karo Smith, 162, Harlem.

George Paliotta, 139, Bronx, whipped Al Mazerol, 136½, Limestone, Me., in the opening four.

Willie Joyce, 138, Gary, Ind., evened the score with clever Allie Stolz, 133½, Newark, N. J., when he defeated the doll-faced cutie in a sensational lightweight fight in Madison Square Garden.

The ten round decision went to Joyce. It was a split verdict as Judge George Le Cron cast his ballot for Willie, six rounds to four. Judge Tom Guilfoyle saw Joyce the winner by seven rounds to three, but Referee Benny Leonard gave it to Stolz by a shade, tallying it five, Stolz; four, Joyce; and one frame even.

As in their first torrid go, Stolz got off to a good start, using his snappy left frequently. Allie copped the first two heats.

The Jersey contender seemed to lack the durability and stamina of the first encounter which enabled him to get over some rough spots. This time Joyce kept crowding Stolz, carrying the fight to him with a blistering body attack to romp off with the third, fourth and fifth stanzas.

In the seventh, Joyce kept tearing after Stolz and had Allie in bad shape as he made Stolz's knees buckle. Allie, fighting on sheer nerve, and seemingly headed for the cleaners, snapped out of his lethargic stupor and slugged it out with Joyce to bring the crowd of 14,137 to their feet as they yelled themselves hoarse.

The eighth was a slugging session again with Joyce in front, but Allie came back in the ninth to win that round. In the tenth and final chapter, both boys, weary and exhausted, gave their all with Joyce the leader by a shade. Any doubts as to the intestinal fortitude possessed by Stolz were definitely dispelled by his courageous showing.

The semi-final six saw Jimmy McDonough, 152, Brooklyn, neatly pin back the ears of the highly heralded Tut Tabor, 161, Pittsburgh, protege of Billy Conn. Another good six resulted in a win for Leo Milito, 127, New York, who outpunched Al Pennino, 126½, Brooklyn.

Frankie Gromada, 140½, New York, won a close one from Vic Pignataro, 140, Bronx, in a good six round bout. Mayhew Smith, 147, Harlem, decisioned Charley Davis, 142, Jersey City, N. J., in six.

The curtain raiser went to Art Saxell, 164½, Newark, who defeated Solly Zalter, 167½, Montreal, in four rounds.

Harry Berntsen, 203½, Norwegian heavyweight youngster, caught up with the veteran Pal Silvers, 179½, Brooklyn, after being outsmarted for three rounds, and stopped Pal in 2:47 of the fourth round before a capacity crowd at the Ridgewood Grove.

Silvers, a veteran of twenty years in the ring, stabbed the big blond youngster silly upon several occasions, bloodying his nose, and spinning Berntsen into the ropes. In the fatal fourth, Harry whipped over a barrage of rights to dump Silvers for nine. The old-timer arose, only to be trapped against the ropes where Berntsen was walloping him at will when Referee Jack Appel stopped the slaughter.

A feature was the auctioning of a huge autographed boxing glove donated by Nat Fleischer which went to a local sportsman, Harry Berger, who bid $150 for the oversized mitten. This money and ten percent of the proceeds went to the Infantile Paralysis Fund.

In other bouts Lee Black, 155½, Harlem, dumped and defeated Antonio Carmona, 153½, Puerto Rico, in six. Archie Devino, 123⅛, Long Island City, nosed out Johnny Land, 130⅛, Newark, N. J., in a second six. Three other sixes failed to go the distance as Johnny Aichers, 191½, Cliffside Park, N. J., flattened Johnny Davis, 189, Brooklyn, in 2:16 of the first; Jim Kennedy, 148, New York, upset Johnny Yellavich, 152, Cliffside Park, in 2:25 of the opening canto, and Joe Torrens, 143, Puerto Rico, pulled a lost fight out of the fire when he knocked out Al Victoria, 140, Virgin Islands, in 44 seconds of the fourth.

Pat De Marco, 137, Brooklyn, stopped Marty Bell, 135, Newark, N. J., in 59 seconds of the fourth round of the opening four.

Joe Curcio, southpaw welterweight from Newark, N. J., 148, outroughed the highly regarded Cecil Hudson, 153¾, Los Angeles, to take a split ten round decision before a capacity gathering of 4,297 that paid $11,303 at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Hudson was penalized the third round for a low blow, Curcio, the fourth. Referee George Walsh and Judge Sam Rosenblatt each gave Curcio seven rounds and Hudson three; while Judge Sam Robinson saw Cecil in front, six rounds to four.

Vince Lauria, 117¼, Camden, N. J., stopped Jimmy Jeannette, 123, Louisville, Ky., in 2:10 of the third of a scheduled six spot. Paul Madrid, 129¼, Mexico, outpunched Richie Myashiro, 128¼, Honolulu, in six rounds. A third six went to Tony De Rosa, 150, Astoria, L. I., when he defeated Wayland Douglas, 149, Brooklyn.

Willis Applegate, 187, Newark, N. J., beat Jimmy White, 181½, Harlem, in a six staged after the star fracas. In the opening four, George Boner, 192¼, New Haven, decisioned Ted Walters, 206¾, West Side.

Phil Palmer, 141½, Vancouver, B. C., welterweight, found Torpedo Reed, 145¾, Los Angeles, easy pickings as he won all eight rounds of their star bout contest at the Broadway Arena before a capacity house.

Phil kept pounding away at Reed's body and the verdict was never in doubt.

Vic Costa, 146½, Bronx, scored quite an upset when he whipped Al "Sonny" Seidman, 146, Scranton, Pa., in the semi-final eight round bout. It was a rousing go with each man being jarred by stiff punches upon several occasions. The decision was a split one.

Georgie Small, 157½, Brooklyn, stopped Hugh Murphy, 152, Harlem, in two heats of a scheduled six. Meyer Siegel, 156, Williamsburg, battered Art Shepard, 152, Brooklyn, into submission at 2:58 of the third round of another slated sixer.

Everett Chapman, 141¾, Bronx, came off the floor twice to cop an unpopular four round decision from Al Baltieri, 146¾, Brownsville, and Johnny Vann, 139½, Brooklyn, halted Sal Andres, 134½, Mexico, in 1:52 of the opener.

Julie Bort, 137, Brooklyn, upset the dope when he outpointed rugged Juan Carrero, 135, Puerto Rico, before a sellout crowd of 3,000 at the Park Arena. Julie, a one-time polio victim with an undeveloped right leg, copped five of the eight heats and shook Carrero up in the fourth and fifth rounds.

Major Mark Conn, former aide to General Chennault in the CBI theatre of operations, made his debut as a referee and handled the entire card in workmanlike style.

In the semi-final six, Lou Cassiano, 134, Bronx, won from Jerry Darby, 132½, Jamaica, L. I. In another six, Ace McCloskey, 152½, Nova Scotia, defeated Johnny King, 157½, Harlem.

The fours saw Johnny LaRusso, 130¼, Bronx, decision Frankie Van, 133, Bayonne, N. J., and Johnny DeMaio, 150½, Fordham, stop Bomar Macklin, 147½, West Side.

Joey Varoff, 142, clever East Side protege of Ray Arcel, easily outclassed rugged Freddie Addeo, 145½, Brooklyn, to cop the decision in one of three star eight round tilts before a capacity crowd at the Ridgewood Grove.

A sensational brawl saw Al LaBarba, 141, Bronx, rally after being staggered several times to flatten Enrique Rodea, 138¾, Mexico, in 1:11 of the eighth and final frame. LaBarba had dropped the Mexican southpaw once for a nine count, and then dumped Enrique on his kisser when Referee Eddie Joseph called a halt.

Danny Carabella, 122½, Bronx, scored an unpopular eight round win over Joe Dolan, 127½, Spokane, Washington. This was the Westerner's first defeat in nine New York appearances and the crowd booed for several minutes after the verdict was announced. This scribe had Dolan in front by a scant margin.

In a special six, Rocco Rossano, 146, Brooklyn, pasted the daylights out of Patsy Zoccano, 142, Montreal. Tommy Duffy Smith, 143, Ridgewood, defeated Nat Hutchins, 148, Newark, N. J., in a four.

The opener went to Nick Melli, 155, Bay Ridge, who stopped Teddy Wilson, 154, Bronx, in 2:13 of the third round.

Another war veteran, Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini, 145½, Youngstown, Ohio, failed along the fistic comeback trail when he dropped a unanimous ten round decision to Phil Palmer, 141½, Vancouver, B. C., before 3,402 fans at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Mancini, wearer of the Purple Heart, was facing his first stiff test since his return from the wars, and although he waged a courageous battle, was hardly a match for the clever sharpshooting Palmer who floored Boom Boom for a no count in the third.

In the six round semi-windup, Nick Primiani, 140¾, Montreal, whipped Lou Cassiano, 133½, Bronx. A scheduled six ended in 1:47 of round two when undefeated Bob Boucher, 151, Nebraska City, Neb., knocked out Hugh Stell, 150½, Los Angeles, Cal.

Artie Tedesco, 142¾, Jersey City, N. J., outpointed Gilberto Ramirez, 146½, Mexico City, in six rounds. Joe Carney, 133¼, Puerto Rico, defeated Lou Daniels, 136, West Side, in a sixer. In the opening four Al Baltieri, 145, Brooklyn, won the decision over Everett Chapman, 140¾, Bronx.

Should any of the major league baseball clubs be in dire need of a catcher, they can easily uncover one in the person of Jerry Fiorello, Brooklyn middleweight, who caught everything and anything thrown at him by Joe Reddick in their dreary ten round bout at the Broadway Arena.

Reddick, 157, Paterson, N. J., won as he pleased, forcing Fiorello, 161, all around the ring throughout the fight. Fiorello won but one round, the tenth, when he was hit low.

George Baltieri, 143¼, baby-faced Brooklynite, kissed the canvas twice, but came back from the brink of a knockout to flatten Jim Presha, 141¾, New York, in 1:57 of the third. This was a slated six round semi-final. Another kayo resulted when the veteran Ray Napolitano, 148, Brooklyn, making a comeback, knocked out Julie Cross, 155¾, Brooklyn, in 43 seconds of the second round.

Chunky Pete Mirabella, 133½, Brooklyn, outgamed Jerry Darby, 134, Jamaica, L. I., over the six round route. Two fours failed to go the distance. Jake Savello, 120, Brooklyn, halted Larry Spencer, 115½, Jacksonville, Fla., with but three seconds to go in the final frame, and Karo Smith, 160, New York, made short work of Teddy O'Dell, 159, Passaic, N. J., stopping the latter at 2:37 of the first.

Vince La Salva, 147½, Mount Vernon, won a split eight round decision over Henry Jordan, 151, Atlantic City, N. J., in a hard fought main go before a capacity crowd of 3,000 which paid $4,305.

The profits of this show went to the Italian Relief Fund for the benefit of destitute war victims overseas.

In another scheduled eight, Joe Aponte Torres, 126, Puerto Rico, flattened Benny May, 122, Montreal, in 1:22 of the fourth round. Frank Palermo, 136¾, Bronx, outpointed Jasper O'Hanley, 140½, Montreal, in a six rounder.

George Paliotta, 137, Bronx, defeated Gunnar Larsen, 140¾, Brooklyn, in a four spot. Other fours saw Edgar Bennett, 128¾, Newark, N. J., beat Stanley Gomiela, 133½, Jamaica, L. I., and Dick Schiavone, 135½, Bronx, won from Don Zito, 130½, Brooklyn.

Joe Governale, 158½, Brooklyn, outslugged Coolidge Miller, 165½, Brooklyn, in a bruising eight round bout at the Ridgewood Grove before a sellout house of 4,200.

The battle was bitterly contested as both boys punched away at close range without letup. The verdict was split as Judge Jimmy Riley had Miller in front, five rounds to three. Referee Harry Ebbetts scored it four, three, and one even in Governale's favor, while Judge Jack Goodman voted for Joe, six rounds to two.

In the semi-final of eight rounds Harold Valas, 136½, Brooklyn, knew too much for the willing Nick Primiani, 140, Montreal, and copped a close decision.

Davey "Red" Allen, 127½, New York, took some mean pokes to the chin, but weathered the storm to come back and flatten Johnny Land, 130, Newark, N. J., in a special six.

Frankie Rosen, 140, Brooklyn, won an unpopular decision over Marty Bell, 136, Newark, N. J., in a four rounder. Other fours saw Pat DeMarco, 138, Brooklyn, decision Everett Chapman, 139, Bronx, Milton Latimer, 149½, Beacon, N. Y., knocked out Art Shepard, 152, Brooklyn, in 2:54 of the third frame; and DeWitt Dean, 154½, Detroit, rocked Nat Hutchins, 150½, Newark, N. J., to sleep with a left hook at 1:35 of the first canto.

Chuck Taylor, 143, Pittsburgh, made it two in a row over Freddie Archer, 144, Newark, as he romped off with a unanimous ten round decision before a crowd of 3,271 at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Taylor had upset Archer in New Jersey in January, and this second victory has moved him into the fistic spotlight.

Chuck got off to a good start in the first three rounds using a nice left jab that kept Archer off balance. Freddie opened a cut over Taylor's

left eye in the fourth round and pummeled his man with hard rights and lefts to the head and body in the fifth, but the Pittsburgher came back to win going away in the last half of the bout.

Doyle Mitchell, 163½, Los Angeles, stopped Harry Daniels, 165½, Harlem, in 2:19 of the second round of a slated six round semi-windup.

Leo LeBron, 127½, defeated Ralph LaSalle, 123¾, Puerto Rico, Joe Albina, 157½, Jamesburg, N. J., whipped Jimmy Davis, 156, Pittsburgh, and Frank Kruski, 147, Hempstead, L. I., won from Nick Restiano, 142½, Newark, in six round scraps.

Gunnar Larson, 139¾, Brooklyn, outpointed Bomar Macklin, 144¾, New York, in the opening bout of four rounds.

After five rounds of even and uneventful milling, Larry Fontana, 160¼, Brooklyn, lashed out with a terrific left uppercut to the jaw to flatten Johnny Ryan, 155, Detroit, in 22 seconds of the sixth round of a scheduled ten at the Broadway Arena.

Ryan was a substitute for Ruben Shank who was ill.

In the six round semi-final, George Small, 159, Brooklyn, soundly thrashed Baudelio Valencia, 159¾, Mexico. Meyer Siegel, 151, Brooklyn, shellacked Jim Kennedy, 147½, Washington Heights, in a six rounder. Ernie Butler, 149½, Brooklyn, won a six round decision over Joe Torrens, 141, Puerto Rico, despite the handicap of a badly cut eye. Leo Milito, 130¼, East Side, trounced Johnny Gebert, 130, Freeport, L. I., also in six.

The opener ended quickly when Johnny Vann, 141½, Brooklyn, flattened Robert Wright, 146½, Brooklyn, in 1:13 of the first round.

Steve Belloise, 158½, Bronx middleweight contender, was forced to go the limit for the first time since his discharge from the Navy when he won a unanimous decision over Freddie Flores, 165, Puerto Rico, in the eight round star bout at the Park Arena.

An overflow crowd, accounting for a record gate of $5,590, was on hand at the new Bronx club to see Steve score his fifth straight victory.

Jasper O'Hanley, 140¾, Montreal, knocked out Patsy Zoccano, 140½, also of Montreal, in 2:11 of the second round of a scheduled six session semi-final. Don Anderson, 159, Bronx, outpointed Johnny King, 155, Harlem, while Johnny Harvey, 159, Port Chester, N. Y., beat Benny Davis, 160, Port Chester, in two six round tilts.

In four rounders, Hugh Stell, 149, Los Angeles, whipped Johnny DeMaio, 152½, Fordham, and John LaRusso, 130½, Bronx, defeated Everett Chapman, 136½, Bronx.

The first of the ex-G.I.'s to try his hand at promoting, former Major Earl Breitbard, reopened the Jamaica Arena to professional boxing after an absence of some six years, and of 1,472 fans who paid $2,748.50, saw Ham Wiloby, 125, Jamaica, L. I., batter Chico Barrado, 131, Mexico, into a state of helplessness to stop him at the end of the fifth round.

Wiloby encountered little opposition as first he opened a cut over Barrado's eye in the second frame, and later in the battle had Chico's nose bleeding badly from a deep gash. As the fifth canto ended, Referee Jimmy Crowley stepped in and called it a night for the game Mexican.

Freddie Addeo, 146, Brooklyn, reversed a previous loss to Wendy Wilson, 151, Trinidad, B. W. I., when he overcame an early lead to punch his way to a decision victory in the co-featured eight.

Two of the three sixes failed to go the distance as Tony LaRocca, 143, Jamaica, L. I., knocked out Jimmy Fresha, 141, New York, in 1:16 of the first, and Louis Casiano, 133, Bronx, stopped Tommy Marino, 127, Maspeth, in 2:30 of the first round. Tony DeRosa, 147, Corona, won a six round bout over Jerry Wright, 152, New York.

In a scheduled four rounder following the main go, Leon Shepard, 156¼, Brooklyn, stopped Horace Bailey, 153¾, Brooklyn, at the end of the third.

Shamus O'Brien, 185, Harlem, made a punching bag of Mickey Hayes, 191, Milwaukee, until Referee Mark Conn counted the Midwestern heavyweight out at 1:49 of the third round of the main event at the Golden Gate Arena.

Hayes was dropped for counts of five and eight in the first round, and was saved by the bell in the second as the count reached eight.

The veteran Frank Zamoris, 180, Orange, N. J., defeated Warren Peterson, 174¾, Jamaica, L. I., in a good eight round semi-final. It was a battle as Peterson got off the floor four times in the first round to extend Zamoris all the way.

Al Galgut, 161½, Orange, N. J., kayoed Teddy Wilson, 153, Bronx, in 31 seconds of the second round of a scheduled six. Another six ended in a knockout when Walter Stevens, 138¾, Newark, N. J., flattened Lou Daniels, 138, West Side, in 49 seconds of the second round.

In the opener, Pat Franco, 139½, Verona, N. J., outpointed Ellie Simley, 141¼, Brooklyn.

Floored in the eighth and final frame by an overhand right, Harry Berntsen, 202½, unbeaten Norwegian youngster, arose to drop Henry Cooper, 202½, Brownsville veteran, three times in retaliation to take the decision in the star bout at the Ridgewood Grove.

The largest crowd of the season saw Cooper get off to a good start to take the first three rounds by staggering Berntsen with good right-hand shots. In the first round the experienced Brooklynite cut Berntsen's left eye and cagily avoided the terrific right thrown by the ex-Norwegian mariner.

The third was a rousing round as Cooper outpunched Berntsen in a fierce exchange, but Henry was cut over the right eye. Berntsen kept coming along from the fifth round on, and going into the eighth it was all even with Cooper forging ahead by flooring Harry, and then blowing his microscopic margin as Berntsen punched him from pillar to post to take the duke. It was the first time in eleven fights that the sensational youngster was forced to go the limit.

In the six round semi-final, Johnny Harvey, 159, Port Chester, N. Y., won a close decision from Lee Black, 158½, Harlem. Vince DeMarco, 137, Brooklyn, punched too hard for game Joe Gutierez, 137, Mexico, in a six. Tony Gargiso, 195½, Brooklyn, stopped Namen Hawes, 175, New York, at the end of the first round of a slated six with a badly cut left eye.

Vic Amato, 164½, won a four round decision from Vic Chambers, 169½, Brooklyn, while William Brown, 189½, Bronx, stopped Johnny Willard, 200½, Brooklyn, in 2:07 of the second round of the curtain raiser.

John Thomas, 180, aggressive Negro heavyweight from Fort Lauderdale, Fla., upset Jack Kearns' much touted new heavyweight, Joey Maxim, 185½, Cleveland, O., in the feature ten-round match at the St. Nicholas arena before a crowd of 3580.

Maxim boxed well, but didn't display enough punching power to keep his shorter opponent at bay. The loss was a serious one to Maxim as he was being considered as a Garden opponent for Tami Mauriello, replacing Joe Baksi who injured his elbow. The duke favoring Thomas was unanimous.

Joe Lucignano, 145, Hoboken, N. J., kayoed Lionel Johnson, 150½, Brooklyn, in 1:59 of the third round of a six-round bout. Another scheduled six saw Ralph LaSalle, 122½, Puerto Rico, flatten Joe Tambe, 126, Buffalo, in 1:34 of the fifth.

In the fours, Joey Krikis, 133½, Bronx, whipped Clifton Bordies, 130, Bayshore, L. I.; Pedro Cobe, 154½, Puerto Rico, defeated DeWitt Dean, 152, Detroit, and Samuel McPherson, 231, New York, stopped Ben Pickett, 176½, San Francisco, in 1:04 of the third.

Scoring his fourth straight victory since his discharge from the Coast Guard, Joey Varoff, 139½, flashy East Sider, boxed coolly and skilfully as he handily drubbed the veteran Ray Napolitano, 145¼, Brooklyn, in a feature eight-round go at the Broadway Arena.

Napolitano, who had come out of retirement to score a sensational kayo at the Brooklyn club three weeks earlier, promptly announced he was definitely quitting for good after the shellacking he received from Varoff.

In a co-feature eight, Vic Costa, 145¾, Bronx, repeated his earlier win over Al Seidman, 148, Scranton, Pa. Seidman got off to a quick start, garnering a fair margin in the first two frames, but the Bronxite knew too much and moved too fast for Seidman.

Johnny Vann, 143, Brooklyn, dropped Nick Primiani, 141½, Montreal, for nine in the second to defeat him in a six-round setto. Paddy DeMarco, 136¾, Brooklyn, threw too much leather for Johnny Phillips, 140¾, Brooklynite, to cop in a six-rounder.

Angelo Villano, 154, Brooklyn, knocked out Teddy Wilson, 153¼, Bronx, in 2:30 of the first, and Jack Savello, 121¾, East New York, won in the opener of four heats from Oscar Feld, 118¾, Brooklyn.

Joey LaMotta, fast-rising younger brother of middleweight contender Jake, decisively defeated Bobby Berger of Chicago in the main event of eight rounds at the Park Arena.

A capacity crowd saw Joey win much more easily than he did in his first fracas with Berger. LaMotta weighed 156¾, Berger scaled 151¾.

Undefeated Bob Boucher, 150½, Nebraska City, Neb., outpointed Al Franklin, 148, Washington, D. C., to notch his 11th straight win. Rocco Rossano, 147, Brooklyn, put the snore on Frank Parchia, 149, Jamaica, L. I., in 2:50 of the fourth of a slated six, and Lee Sheppard, 157½, Brooklyn, stopped Karo Smith, 159¼, West Side, in 2:02 of the second round.

Frankie Van, 136, Bayonne, N. J., beat Everett Chapman, 136, Harlem, in a four spot.

Returning to the ring after a layoff of almost four months, Tony Janiro, 147, baby-faced Youngstown, O., welterweight, showed all of his usual sparkling form as he easily outboxed and defeated Ernest "Cat" Robinson, 150, Jamaica, L. I., at the Jamaica Arena. A good-sized crowd contributed to a gross gate of $5300.

In the scheduled semi-final six Joey Carkido, 138, Youngstown, stablemate of Janiro, belted out Roberto Ramirez, 148, Mexico, in 1:10 of the fifth round.

Other sixes saw Paul Midiri, 130, Corona, decision Lou Lang, 122, Brooklyn, and Billy Johnson, 166, Wilmington, N. C., beat Johnny Harvey, 157, Bronx.

Fred Menna, 151¾, Jamaica, whipped Art Shepard, 155, New York, in a four, while Mel Hawkins, 159, won from Charley Johnson, 164, New York, over the same distance.

Additions and Corrections In Ring Record Books

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1944 *Record Book*

In record of Sixto Morales, add the following fights:

1933—Baby La Paz, KO by 5.
1934—Baby La Paz, L. 10.
1937—May 26, Johnny Alba, New York City, KO 5; June 15, George Henry, Jersey City, W. 6; July 2, Indian Hurtado, New York City, L. 8.
1941—Nov. 4, Joe Miller, Jacksonville, KO 3.

In record of Harvey Weiss, make these additions:

1941—Allen McCorvey, Tampa, L. 10; Allen McCorvey, Miami Beach, KO by 2; Dec. 26, Joey Silva, Palm Beach, W. 8; Luis Diaz, Havana, W. 8; Joe Pedrosa, Havana, L. 8.

Add these 1941 fights to record of Moe Weiss: Pedrito Martinez, Havana, D. 8; Reunaldo Puente, Havana, L. 8.

To record of Baby Coullimber, add following bouts:

1941—Santiago Sosa, Havana, L. 12; Leocadio Torres, Balboa, W. 10; Battling Nelson, Balboa, KO 8.
1942—Feb. 21, Joey Peralta, Havana, L. 10.

In 1942, credit Panama Al Brown with a four-round KO over Battling Nelson.

In record of Yucatan Kid, add: Joe Legon, Havana, L. 10.

A 1939 fight to be added to record of Jimmy Florita: Nov. 6, Ray Salas, San Francisco, KO by 2.

A 1941 contest for the record of Harold Hoshino: Aug. 25, George Hansford, Seattle, KO by 9.

A pair of 1937 fights to be added to Baby Manuel: Nov. 22, Ray Ingram, Washington, D. C., L. 8; Nov. 29, Tony Dupre, Washington, D. C., L. 8.

Add to record of Newsboy Brown: 1933, Chalky Wright, W. 10.

For the year 1929, add these fights to record of Mike McTigue: Sept. 17, Jeff Roberts, Hopewell, Va., KO 3; Nov. 12, Emmett Curtis, Grand Rapids, KO 5.

Add these fights to Pablo Dano's record:

1930—Steve Rocco, L. 10; Jimmy Campbell, W. 10; Johnny Sili, W. 10.
1931—Little Bayan, W. 10.

1945 *Record Book*

Add to record of Young Finnegan:

1941—Kid Caballero, Panama, KO 3; Cesar Aresemena, Panama, KO.

1942—Nov. 17, Carlos Malacara, Panama, KO by 8.

Carmelo Fenoy record: 1937, Apr. 29, Gustave Humery, Paris, L. 10.

To the incomplete early record of Matt Parker add: 1942—Jan. 8, Ernie Calhoun, Philadelphia, D. 6; Jan. 22, Jiggs Donohue, Philadelphia, KO by 1.

To record of Joe Fredericks add: 1942—Jan. 22, Harold Solomon, Philadelphia, L. 6.

For record of Georgie Larover: 1942—Dec. 12, Marine Brunt, Philadelphia, KO 3.

A 1942 fight for the record of Frankie Allen: June 4, Steve Sanzo, Philadelphia, KO 1.

To the record of Hughie Civatte, add:

1942—Dec. 10, Jimmy McAllister, Philadelphia, L. 6; Dec. 18—Charley Williams, Philadelphia, D. 6.

Change "KO by 1" to "L. 6" alongside the Feb. 10, 1944, Jimmy Anest fight on the record of Buck Streator. Also add: 1943—Dec. 2, Frankie Davis, Philadelphia, KO 3, to Streator's record.

New 1946 *Record Book*

Add to record of Eddie Giosa: 1943—Oct., Johnny Morgan, Philadelphia, KO 7.

To both the records of Johnny Wolgast and Midget Mayo, add: 1944—March 10, D. 6.

To record of Danny Devlin add: 1943—Oct., Ray Scully, Allentown, KO 3; Dec., Ted Brown, Allentown, KO 2.

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CONNECTICUT RING NEWS
By DON HAMILL

BOXING continued in high gear in Connecticut for the month with six clubs running. All did well. Hartford, New Haven, and New Britain have been running weekly with Danbury, Stamford, and Meriden, also putting on a few shows. The Danbury club with Pete Montesi, World War II hero at the helm, ran into a little difficulty when the hall he was using to stage his fights was declared unfit for public assemblage by the State Fire Marshal.

Stamford—Columbus Hall—Rocky Progano, 126, Stamford, knocked out Harry Bauman, 125, New York, in the second round of a scheduled eight round main event. The Stamford puncher tossed too many gloves for the veteran Bauman. The undercard was made up of four rounders. Billy Fuller, 160, Norwalk, knocked out Al Mell, 158, Stamford, in the first heat. Saul Russo, 186, New York, knocked out Johnny Dasher, 189, New York, in the second round. Ralph Costello, 139, New York, scored a decision over Tony Pignatore, 146, Norwalk. Jimmy Stevens, 138, New York, won, by a TKO over Murray Down, 138, New York, in the second. In the opener, Nick Santisiero, 150, Stamford, stopped Dan Ruggiero, 148, New York, in the final round. About 1000 attended.

New Britain—Stanley Arena—Joey Iannotti, 132, New Haven, halted Lou Daniels, 134, Brooklyn, N. Y., in the second of their ten round feature bout. It was Iannotti's first bout since he was discharged from the Army. Daniels wasn't able to offer any opposition. Art Saxel, 161, Chicago, won over Johnny King, 154, New York Negro, in a slow six rounder. Milton Latimer, 145, Beacon, N. Y., looked good in stopping Lee Abrams, 143, Hartford, in the fourth of a billed six. Nick DeVanno, 126, Norwich, stopped ill-conditioned Bob O'Connell, 129, Middletown, in the fourth and final round. Carey Mace, 136, Hartford, belted out Ray MacArthur, 142, Middletown Negro, in the fourth of a semi-pro bout.

Hartford Auditorium—Dennis Pat Brady, 131, New York, finally caught up with elusive Oscar Lewis, 131, Newark, N. J., Negro, in the eighth and final round to stop his opponent. Lewis's running and clutching tactics nearly paid off as he went into the final heat but he was nailed and dropped twice before Referee Jigger McCarthy stopped the fight with seconds to go. Bat Stroud, 156, Tampa, Fla., left handed his way to a six round decision over Georgie Humes, 154, East Hartford. Georgie Greytack, 142, Bridgeport, surprised in handing Ray Laurie, 145, Hartford, a neat licking for six rounds. Al Silverman, 143, stablemate of Brady, knocked out Johnny Sawyer, 148, New York, in the third of another six. Gabby Poulin, 143, New Britain, knocked out veteran Jimmy Hughes, 143, New York, in the fourth of a six round opener. A crowd of 2348 paid a gross gate of $4153.

Danbury—Young Men's Catholic Club Hall—Gus Lesnevich, world's light-heavyweight champion, boxed a pleasing three round exhibition with sparring partner, Paul Crosby, North Bergen, N. J., before another capacity house. About 600 were turned away. George Greytack, 146, Bridgeport, outpointed Eddie O'Tash, 145, also of Bridgeport, in a four rounder. In another four, Henry Holt, 152, Danbury Negro, won a decision over Bobby Hicks, 154, Waterbury Negro. The remainder of the card was made up of five three-round semi-pro bouts.

New Haven Arena—Nathan Mann, 190, Hamden, scored a big upset by handing Freddy Schott, 212, Paterson, N. J., his second defeat in his entire career in ten rounds. Mann left-handed his way to a clear cut win and had Schott in a bad way in the seventh round. Gene Jones, 208, Camden, N. J., scored over Georgie Fitch, 208, New Haven Negro, in the six round semi-final. Ernie Griffin, 180, Hartford, decisioned Big Ben Benware, 230, New London, in six rounds. In another six, Hal Glassman, 180, Philadelphia, took the decision over Joe Popeski, 170, New London. In the curtain raiser, Georgie Greytack, 143, Bridgeport, scored a four round decision over Jimmy Farnum, 149, New Haven.

New Britain—Stanley Arena—George "Red" Doty, 153, Hartford, repeated with a ten round decision over Charlie McPherson, 164, Brooklyn. McPherson suffered a hand injury and was unable to throw his right in the later rounds. Frankie Palermo, 132, New York, stopped Sammy Zelman, 128, New York, in the third of a six. Bat Stroud, 156, Tampa, Fla., halted Georgie Humes, 155, East Hartford, in the third of another six. Referee Billy Conway seemed a bit impulsive in stopping the bout. Jimmy Green, 152, New York Negro, won a four round decision over Johnny Sawyer, 153, New York. Henry Polowitzer, 138, Hartford, and Ray MacArthur, 141, Middletown, drew in a five round semi-pro bout.

Hartford Auditorium—Nick Stato, 132, Springfield, proved too strong and rugged for Vic Flores, 130½, Mexico, in their eight round feature bout. The ever-aggressive Stato kept on top of his man, never allowing him to get set. Stato took six of the rounds. Dom Fiantini, 130, Reading, Pa., nailed Felix Ramierez, 129½, Puerto Rico, as he moved in and scored a sudden one round knockout. Teddy Mackin, 146, Hartford, got off to a good start since his discharge by flattening Frank Hernandez, 146, Puerto Rico. Frank Vigeant, 141, Waterbury, continued his winning ways by stopping Johnny Parker, 143, Springfield Negro, in the second of another six. Billy Kowal, 157, Southington, looked good in his pro debut by winning over Bobby Hicks, 154, Waterbury, in four rounds. Joe Schultz, 135, New Britain, got up off the floor to earn a draw with Ralph Veraijo, 136, Puerto Rico, in the four round opener.

Stamford—Columbus Hall—Jimmy Wynn, 149, New York Negro, really upset the dope when he handed Tony Vero, 147, Stamford, his first defeat in 39 starts. Wynn scored a knockdown in the fourth and nearly finished Vero in the seventh. In the six round semi-final, Johnny Rice, 176, Stamford, stopped Joe Yorofino, 200, Stamford, in the first round. In another six, Denny McCabe, 137, New York, knocked out Johnny Roe, 136, New York, also in the first round.

New Britain—Stanley Arena—Vic Costa, 145, New York, punched out a one-sided win over Gabby Poulin, 143, New Britain, after he came off the floor himself in the second round. Poulin suffered cuts over both eyes during the ten rounds. Georgie Humes, 155, East Hartford, knocked out Bat Stroud, Tampa, Fla., in the third round of a six. This was their fourth meeting in as many weeks. Humes scored two kayoes while Stroud was the winner in the other two via the decision and a kayo. Ernie Griffin, 176, Hartford Negro, knocked out inexperienced Edgar Greenwood, 177, New York Negro, in the second round. Carey Mace, 143, Hartford, knocked out his green stablemate Johnny Bayer, 143, Hartford, in the first round. Henry Polowitzer, 138, East Hartford, stopped Ray McArthur, 142, Middletown, in the fourth round when McArthur suffered a badly cut eye.

Hartford Auditorium—Nick Stato, 130, Springfield, edged out Al Pennino, 126½, New York, in a torrid eight rounder. In the third round Pennino knocked Stato flat on his back but was repaid for his trouble by visiting the canvas twice himself in the same round. Frank Vigeant, 143, Waterbury, outfought Milton Lattimer, 144, Beacon, N. Y., in a six rounder that was full of fight. Joe DeMartino, 149, Bridgeport, outboxed tall Tommy Keene, 152, New London, in a six spot. Johnny King, 155, New York, scored over game Eddie O'Tash, 148, Bridgeport, in another six. Jimmy Green, 147, New York, outslugged Ray Laurie, 146, Hartford, for six rounds. Laurie broke his right hand in this bout. Joe Schultz, 130, New Britain, stopped Bob Hudson, 126, Bridgeport, in the four round opener.

Meriden—City Hall Auditorium—Eddie Compo, 126, New Haven, returned to the ring after a few weeks' illness to stop Julio Flores, 130, Puerto Rico, in the fourth of the scheduled eight round main event. Compo gave Flores a terrific beating before putting over the finisher. George Boner, 190, New Haven, kayoed Willie Robinson, 200, New York, in the six round semi-final. Jimmy Farnum, 153, New Haven, fought a four round draw with Bobby Hicks, 151, Waterbury Negro. Al Valen, 140, New Haven, and Larry Teene, 138, Southington, also battled to a draw in a four rounder. In semi-pro bouts Johnny Rogers, 129, Bridgeport, stopped Danny Pagano, 126, Cromwell, in the first round; and Bobby Essel, 154, New Britain, won when Billy Anderson, 155, New Haven, became too exhausted to continue.

New Britain—Stanley Arena—Jimmy Wynn, 145, New York Negro, punched out a win over Gus Vargo, 145, Newark, N. J., in the eight round feature of another of the club's mediocre cards. Tall Jimmy Taylor, 155, New York Negro, stopped Georgie Humes, 155, East Hartford, in the first round of a six. Joey Rogers, 145, Bridgeport, met a tartar in rough Ralph Costello, 145, New York, but took the decision. Johnny Bayer, 144, Hartford, stopped Bobby Boyce, 126, Hartford, in the second round. Boyce was game but the weight difference was too much to overcome. Eddie Bayek, 167, Hartford, proved too big and experienced for Danny Ketchel, 153, Hartford, and stopped his man in the first round.

Hartford Auditorium—Dom Fiantini, 130, Reading, Pa., left-hooked his way to a decisive eight round win over Vinnie Vazzo, 131, Revere, Mass. Vazzo hit Fiantini low in the seventh round which irked Fiantini into giving Vazzo a drubbing in that round. Teddy Mackin, 146, Hartford, scored his second one round kayo in as many starts by belting out Cliff Carcen, 149, New York Negro, in a six rounder. Art Henri, 182, St. Albans, N. Y., earned a decision over Ernie Griffin, 178, Hartford, in another six. Joe DeMartino, 149, Bridgeport, scored a six round win over Bat Stroud, 156, Tampa, Fla. Tarzan Tony Cerino, 146, bantam, nearly kayoed Marty Jones, 143, New York Negro, in the final heat but had to be content with a six round decision. Al Silverman, 141, New York, got up off the floor to stop Ray Allison, 140, Boston Negro, in the third round of the opener. A crowd of 1745 paid $2912 to see the show.

New Haven Arena—Ernie Petrone, 137½, Philadelphia, eked out a narrow points win over Julie Kogon, 133½, New Haven. Petrone piled up points while Kogon was content to wait during the early rounds for a possible opening for a kayo. Kogon came back in the late rounds to nearly even up the score. Honey Boy Villa, 131, New York, outscored Joey Wassick, 128, New Haven, in the eighth round semi-final. Raphael Verdijio, 135, Puerto Rico, took a six round decision over Carl Olsen, 133, West Haven. Larry Teene, 142, Southington, stopped Bud Lockery, 144, New Haven, in the first of a four rounder. In the opener, Jimmy Farnum, 150, New Haven, drew with Bobby Hicks, 153, Waterbury.

Boxing Commissioner Billy Prince presented Pete Montesi, World War II hero who lost a leg and arm in the Battle of the Bulge, with a complete boxing ring that is considered one of the best in the state according to Dinny McMahon, chief boxing inspector.

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ROCHESTER, N. Y., NOTES
By SAM PORCELLI

IN one of the best fights seen in years in Kalurah Temple, Binghamton, N. Y., Tommy Mills of Valley Stream, L. I., got the duke over Tiger Eddie Smith of Rochester in eight rounds. Nello Nucelli, 140, of Rochester, beat rugged Miguel Arroya, 143, a Mexican Indian, in six rounds. Johnny Long, another Rochester boy, defeated Chuck Kinney of Binghamton in four rounds.

A week later Nucelli and Smith boxed in Toledo and Smith won by a T.K.O. over Harvey Dale in eight rounds, and Nello defeated Larry Moreland of Toledo in six rounds.

The Exchange A. C. ran one show during the month of February at the Arena of Rochester. Pat Scanlon, 141, won over Rudy Campa, 150½, in 10 rounds in a good, rough fight; Art Hardy, 150, defeated Geo. Riley, 160, in eight rounds; Jimmy King, 148, defeated Len Wadsworth, 157, six rounds; Nello Nucelli, 141, Rochester, K.O.'ed Pat Kelly, 137½, in the fourth round; Johnny Long, 150½, Rochester, defeated Buddy Corindia, 151, of Toronto, in four rounds, and Pat Smith, 135, lost to Pal Moran, 135, in four rounds.

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In an all star show, Art Hardy of Pittsburgh, defeated Mickey Doyle of Sudbury, on the ten eight and in the other fights, Ernie Rios of Los Angeles scored a TKO over Jimmy Reeves in the seventh round. Reeves suffered a fracture of the right collar bone and couldn't come out for the eighth round. In the other eight round bouts, Len Taglia of Utica scored a TKO over Stanley Miller of New York in the sixth.

Jimmy King, Buffalo, won over Jerry Wright in six; Juan Manuel, Cleveland, defeated Mike Gravino in another six. In the opening four rounder, Pal Moran KO'ed Joe Commorda in two rounds.

Nello Nucelli and Joe Matisi made their bow in Buffalo and made a big hit with the fans, both boys won by a KO. Matisi KO'ed Howard Chase in one round and Nucelli stopped Billy Zars of Toronto, in one also.

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LEO RODAK, ex-marine and veteran lightweight contender, engaged Bob Montgomery, currently recognized by New York State as lightweight champion, in a ten round Chicago Stadium windup attraction.

Rodak extended Montgomery, who didn't appear to possess the prowess that he displayed in his previous Chicago matches. Rodak was full of pluck and fought with determination, scoring at long range, while the "Bobcat" excelled at infighting.

In the opening round, the Philadelphian leathered Leo's face, and it appeared after Leo sported a bloody nose, that he was in for a whaling. However, the Chicagoan came back with some nifty left-hand smashes and swift right hand pokes.

Montgomery won a split decision, but wasn't impressive, due to his, as well as Leo's, holding tactics. The Chicagoan sustained a cut over his left optic. Montgomery weighed 138¼, and Rodak scaled 138½.

Art Brown, rugged South Side Negro, 150½ pounder, won a ten round decision over fleet-footed Bill Parsons, Danville, 144, who is a puncher in his own right; but was cautious in unleashing his pet bolo punch.

The best fight of the night saw George "Sugar" Costner, 145, beat Jimmy Sherrer, 150, of Milwaukee. Costner was in a tough spot all through the contest.

In the fourth ten round contest Dave Castilloux, Canadian welterweight champion, possessed too much class for pleasing Eddie Lander, who threw all types of punches at Dave. The canny Canuck cleverly blocked and countered with telling effect, Castilloux and Lander each weighed 135.

This Chicago Stadium attraction promoted by Irv Schoenwald, Jack Begun and Jack Hurley grossed $36,487. Montgomery received 32½%, while Rodak was compensated to the tune of 22½% of the net receipts amounting to $28,067.64.

Arturo Godoy, broad-shouldered South American, and Lee Savold, Paterson, N. J., were the main-eventers in a scheduled ten rounder that was halted by competent Referee Johnny Behr in the eighth round and was declared "no contest."

What little fighting occurred, was an impromptu after-the-bell larruping in round three, which Referee Behr broke up. Godoy did try, but Savold wouldn't open up. Lee cut Arturo's eye as early as the first round, but couldn't take advantage of his opportunity. Both gladiators received their purses. Godoy's amounted to approximately $6,900 and Savold's, $5,700. Both were barred from boxing in Illinois for life as well as all N.B.A. states.

In a match following the above-mentioned fracas, Jimmy Sherrer, of Milwaukee, at 149½, stopped Bennie Droll, 157½, Danville, Ill. Jimmy bashed Bennie to the canvas four times and the bout was halted in the sixth round.

In another slated ten, George "Sugar" Costner blasted the veteran Maxie Berger of Canada, out of the picture, in six rounds. Costner utilized his superior reach, coupled with a long range right hand that dumped Berger to the deck three times. The finishing blow was a right to Berger's temple in 50 seconds of the sixth heat. Costner weighed 146 to Maxie's 148½ pounds.

The opening contest saw Willard Coffey, transplanted Washington, D.C., lightweight, now residing in the Windy City, win over Butch Maxwell, Gary 135-pounder.

The show paid off on a net gate of $23,020.26. Godoy received 30%, and Savold 25%.

Holman Williams, the classiest of them all at 160 pounds, gave Chicagoans a real treat in the art of self-defense, in the manner in which he handled the rough and ready George Henry, from New Bedford, Mass., on Promoter Ben Zenoff's Coliseum Club boxing attraction. Holman boxed superbly, weaved, slipped punches and beat an infighter at his own game.

Only in the first round did George show any advantage, but from thereon in, Williams proved why he has been a topnotcher these past seven years. This was a ten rounder.

In the semi-final Wray Carter, flashy 129½ pound puncher, won over Pat Bradley of Detroit, Michigan, in six rounds. Bradley weighed 145½, and in spite of his weight advantage, lost with plenty to spare.

In the other preliminary bouts, Sam Cicerello, Milwaukee, 131½-pounder, won over Ernie Hoffman of Beloit, Wis. Hoffman claimed an injured right hand and acknowledged defeat to Sam, in round two of their five round bout.

Curtis Smith, Chicago, 140 pounds, dealt out a beating to Stanley Cieslik, dropping Cieslik six times via right hands. Each and every time the Detroiter got up he absorbed a more terrific beating, and finally in the fourth canto, the referee halted proceedings. The time was 2:11.

Willie Moore, Chicago light-heavy, halted Ernie Stevenson in the second round with a mighty right hand punch. In the opener, Con Perli, 126, Milwaukee, put Ted Varnadoe down for counts on four occasions, in a four round event.

In a Marigold Gardens headliner, Johnny Rosina, Milwaukee middleweight, and Bob Nichols, Cincinnati Negro, went eight rounds to a standstill.

Gib Jones, also from the Crescent City, pulled a quickie when he annihilated Mel Workman, South Bend, Ind., light-heavyweight, in two rounds.

Other results found Bud Kelly, winner over Joey Richards, four; Cappy Benton sparkled in winning over Vidal Gayton in a featherweight bout, and Tommy Campbell scored a one round knockout over Whitman Burres.

Incidentally, a bout that I overlooked on the Godoy versus Savold fizzle was the sensational battle put up by Cappy Benton, of Cincinnati, opposite Gene Roberts, Danville kayo artist. Benton proved to be a worthy opponent and held Gene even for the scheduled six rounds.

Willie Barrows, Detroit Negro heavyweight, has been sensational as a substitute of late around Chicago, winning by knockouts. First it was Mack Parshay, whom he halted in six stirring heats, then Hezzie Williams was the recipient of the coup de grace, in six rounds.

In the preliminaries, Ted Newsome, Gary light-heavyweight, knocked out Bob Sanders of Rockford, Ill., in the third round; Buddy O'Dell put Jerry Pittro, West Side 150-pounder, away in the second canto; Willard Coffey, Chicago lightweight, beat Butch Maxwell, Gary lightweight, in five rounds, and Gene Roberts, Danville, Ill., puncher, stopped Paul Martinez, of Omaha, Nebraska, in the fifth frame.

At Baltimore, Maryland, Perk Daniels, erstwhile Chicago Negro, 200 pound heavyweight, gained an astonishing victory for himself, when he was credited with a five round knockout over huge Eddie Blunt.

Eddie Lander dropped down a couple of pegs to meet an ordinary performer in Marion Rhoeten, of Milwaukee, Wis. Rhoeten went the distance of eight rounds but received a boxing lesson from Eddie, who has fought many a topnotcher.

In the prelims, Gene Field, 1944 Catholic Youth Organization novice heavyweight champion, made his pro debut an auspicious one by stopping Curtis Albert of Rockford, Ill., in three rounds. Bob Thomas, Cincinnati, 201-pounder, kayoed Elmer Holt, Bloomington, Ill., in the fourth heat; Buddy O'Dell knocked out Ted Newsome, of Gary, in the opening frame and Stanley Berg, West Side Jewish 150-pounder, connected for the count over Phil Smith of Cincinnati, Ohio.

In the only supporting bout to go the limit, Bud Kelly, Cincinnati welterweight, defeated Pete Ferrand, of Chicago, over the four round route.

Freddie Dawson, sleek lightweight contender from the Southside, appears to be the classiest fighter to come out of Chicago since Barney Ross' days.

Dawson polished off the comeback attempt of Nick Castiglione, a formidable puncher in his own right, when he stretched Nick for the count in 2:11 of the second round. Castiglione was short with his punches and Dawson, ever agile and quick as a cat, countered beautifully, time and again. A perfect right to the chin knocked Nick stiff for over five minutes.

Willie Moore defeated Charley Polk, in a spirited six semi-final.

The five round skirmish between two Chicago lads, Richard Rigali and Jackie Boyd, turned out to be a classic, as far as preliminary matches are concerned.

Boyd put Rigali down for nine in the fourth round, and Rigali came back in round five to catch Jackie with a crashing right to the jaw. Boyd took a nine count in a dazed condition, arose, was groggy for a minute; then came to and at the bell had Richie tired and holding on. The crowd went wild over this match.

In the additional prelims, Sgt. Sammy Haskins of Fort Sheridan, defeated Willie Ross, in a fast five round contest. Willard Coffey, now of Chicago, zipped a right uppercut to stop Ted Varnadoe, in 1:52 of round one. Wilton Kemp, New Jersey, 175, scored over Jess Hampton, Chicago, 173, in the four round opener.

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CLEVELAND BOXING NEWS
By PHIL GOLDSTEIN

PROMOTERS Bob Brickman and Larry Atkins presented another sensational show at the Arena, January 25th.

In the feature attraction, Jimmy Bivins, 192, lost his first bout in four years to Joe Wolcott, 196, Camden, N. J. Referee Jackie Davis voted for Bivins, but Judges Tony LaBranche and Charley Bill declared Wolcott the winner. The bout was fast throughout and very close. The seventh round, however, was all Wolcott. Bivins weathered an eight count, the result of a beautiful right cross to the jaw. Jersey Joe made a tremendous hit with Cleveland fans. He boxes beautifully, hits hard, is very fast and can take a good wallop without flinching.

Davey Feld, 169, New York, was far too clever and speedy for game Bobby Berry, 172, in the six round semi-final.

In a great bout crammed full of action, Tommy Yarosz, 168, Pittsburgh, defeated Charley Padalino, 165, Detroit. Yarosz was a bit too fast for the Detroit gamester.

Johnny Allen, 210, Philadelphia, kayoed Gus Mullner, 194, Cleveland, in the third.

Otis Walker, 157, won a split verdict over Mike Birskovich, 155, Niles, after four torrid rounds.

George Saunders, 175, Youngstown, kayoed Willie Muldune, 179, Cleveland, in the first round. After battling on fairly even terms, a right cross to the chin dropped Willie for a short count. He arose, but was still groggy. A perfect one-two made Saunders the winner.

Leroy Jackson, 128, was an upset loser at Toledo to Cedric Flournoy, of Detroit, 129, in eight rounds of toe-to-toe battling. Referee Billy Denman voted for Jackson, but the judges decided in favor of Flournoy. Jackson was far the better at long range and landed the harder punches. The Detroiter, however, was the better at close range. These two will meet in Cleveland very soon.

Billy Burke, 217, Cleveland, outpointed Blimp Copeland, 295, Detroit, on the same program.

Maxie Lifiander and Sid Goldberg have been presenting excellent cards and have been rewarded by Toledo fans with capacity houses.

Tippy Larkin has taken Akron by storm. He has scored two successive victories.

Porter Root, manager of his lightweight son, Bobby, and Frank Basile, local sportsman, have opened a modern boxing gymnasium at Clark Avenue and West 25th Street. Porter also managed his brother Artie, a top-notch featherweight, three decades ago. The Forest City Athletic Club organized by these two sportsmen has already assembled six potentially good fighters.

The Cleveland *Plain Dealer* Golden Gloves' eighteenth annual tournament was again very successful. Final night played to a full house and the fans were rewarded with sixteen stellar bouts. The open champions are as follows, from flyweight to heavyweight: Ted Fitipaldo, Bob Bell, George Gavin, Francis Pebbles, Earl Sabotin, Tony Necro, Dan Kelly, and Charles Lester.

Fitipaldo, Pebbles and Lester won open titles last year.

Pebbles shaded Willie Stevenson, last year's featherweight champ, in a stirring contest for the lightweight diadem.

ADDITIONAL UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By TOM EPHREM

FRANKIE ROSS, fast moving Boston welterweight, again took Johnny Lovett, Philadelphia scrapper, into stride, chalking his second decision over the Philly lad in a West Palm Beach headliner. Frankie O'Hare of Philadelphia was an easy winner over Lou Miller of New York City. He took all six rounds. The knockout of Joe Torres, Puerto Rico, by the promising Russ Baxter, of New Castle, Penn., was the highlight of the program. Baxter blasted Torres out of the picture in round three. Russell Lajour, also of New Castle, triumphed over Jack Kasko, Stamford, Conn., with a one-round kayo. Another first round knockout occurred as "Boston" Bobby Feller put Johnny Janiro away.

Georgie Larover, Philadelphia puncher, scored a good win before Miami fans, as he kayoed Frankie Ross in seven rounds. Ross had five straight wins in Florida rings before he tackled Larover.

George Sheppard and his excellent crew of leatherpushers have made West Palm Beach the most successful fight club in Florida. Russ Baxter, his fighter, is such a hit that Miami's promoter, Sam Weinstein, visions the card of the year with Baxter versus Fritzie Zivic.

West Palm Beach, with programs under Al Caroly, has had complete sellouts since the season opened.

Tommy Leach, Pittsburgh fight manager, has an excellent prospect in welterweight Russ Lajour. Both are now in Florida. Russ is undefeated here.

Before losing out via the kayo route to Buddy Rose in Savannah, middleweight Johnny Taylor, Asheville, N. C., kayoed Carl Sivers of Jacksonville, in three, at Jacksonville. It was Taylor's tenth straight kayo.

The amateurs had it out in Jacksonville, and the Jacksonville *Journal*-WJHP Golden Gloves tourney proved the most successful of any yet staged. The Duval County Armory, once the scene of Jacksonville's pro boxing shows, again played to fisticuffing. Champs crowned were: 112 pounds, Bobby Boyette, Panama City; 118 pounds, Eddie Chyz, Jacksonville Naval Air Station; 126 pounds, Knox Brandon, JNAS; 135 pounds, Sal Alvarez, JNAS; 147 pounds, Truman Holloway, Panama City; 160 pounds, James Whitman, Panama City; 175 pounds, Brown Remington, JNAS; heavyweight, Gabby Marek, JNAS.

The JNAS boxers, in clinching more titles than the Panama City cuffers, also won the beautiful team trophy.

Boxing notes and results will be appreciated. Send to Tom Ephrem, 403 W. 9th St., Jacksonville 6, Florida.

COVERING NEW ENGLAND

By MARK FANNON

BOSTON GARDEN—Before a house of 12,982 fans, Al "Red" Priest, 153½, Cambridge, whipped the only man who had beaten him in pro circles—Joe Blackwood, 155½, Newark, N. J. —by stopping that worthy in the eighth frame of a vicious battle.

Blackwood was holding his own until the sixth when Priest spurted ahead. He knocked Blackwood down for a count of 7 in the eighth before a right to the jaw ended the fracas.

After being behind for three rounds, Ralph Zannelli, 146, Providence, sunk a right to the body of Garvey Young, 143½, Boston. Another right to the chin put the marine out for the full count in the fourth.

Johnny Pretzie, 188, Boston, evened the score with Jay D. Turner, 230, Dallas, Texas, by dropping him 16 times before the referee stopped the brawl in the sixth canto.

Howard Thompson, 202½, Saugus, stepped through the ropes for the first time and beat Big Boy Baker, 211, Everett, by decision in ten dull rounds.

Burlington, Vt.—Tony Roberts, 125, Boston, won in ten rounds over Larry Doyle, 128, Boston. Don Goulette, 137, Burlington, beat Chuck Ashworth, 133, Toronto, eight.

Newport, Vt.—On an unusual card of little men, Jean Richard, 118, Montreal, won over Ben Charette, 112, Lennoxville, Que., eight. Vic Carter, 110, midget of Newport, outfought Billy Janes, 113, Sherbrooke, Quebec, six.

Lewiston, Me.—Al Michaud, 144, Lewiston, kayoed Duke Demers, 145, Rumford, in eight. Jimmy Cook, 145, Portland, won over Babe Querion, 145, Waterville, Me., six. Norm Bennett, 140, Auburn, drew with Jimmy Gagnon, 138, Lewiston, six.

Burlington, Vt.—Roger Burke, 137, Montreal slugger, took a ten-round decision from Vermont's best welter, Buster Beaupre, 141½, this city. Roland Prairie, 129, Montreal, beat Billy Carroll Southerner, 128, New York, eight. Florian Bibeault, 123, Montreal, stopped Eddie Roberts, 122, Toronto, six.

Salem—Tommy Greb, 129, Boston, southpaw, chalked up his 25th straight win by stopping Bobby English, 130, Fall River, in the eighth. Jim Davis, 190, Portland, Me., stopped Herb Colby, 178, Beverly, six.

Brockton—Al Barbosa, 156, North Carver, gave Eddie Ellis, 158, Quincy, a temporary setback when he took the ten-round decision over him. Ellis, Negro, is just out of the service. Johnny Milko, 194, Worcester, defeated Tommy Doyle, 198, Fall River, in six rounds.

Portland—Coley Welch, 164, Portland, N. E. middleweight boss, keeping in shape for an eventual meeting with "Red" Priest, beat J. C. Wilkins, 164, New York, in ten. Jimmy Cook, 142, Portland, kayoed Sparky Romano, 140, Boston, two.

Fall River—Al Costa, 158, high ranking Woonsocket, R. I., boy, outpunched bull-like Baudelio Valencia, 162½, Mexico City, over the ten-round route to make his re-entry in the ring after service in the armed forces.

Tommy Jessup, 146, Springfield, sharp-shooting Negro lad, got the range on stocky Cerafino Bronco, 150, Fall River, in the second, and punched him out. Gene LeBlanc, 146, Fall River, beat Red Cap Cooper, 145, New York, in the other eight rounder.

Charley Lapore, 160, Woonsocket, R. I., and Jimmy Manning, 165, Buffalo, stole the show by fighting a slashing four-rounder. Jimmy almost turned the tide in the fourth when he came back strong.

Al Pinel, 160, New Bedford, won over Ben Thomas, 158, Boston, in a four rounder.

Worcester—Jimmie Mooney, 146, Shrewsbury, made short work of Nick Restiano, 143, Newark, N. J., knocking him out in the first frame.

Bill Landry, Worcester, 164, won over Punching Paul King, 160, Buffalo, in the hard fought six round semi-final. King, former paratrooper, making his first start in pro circles, battled the tough Frenchman nip and tuck, but his timing and condition were not of the best.

Beverly Carter, 148, classy Toronto Negro lad, stopped Jackie Lewis, 153, Philadelphia Negro, in the second round.

Brunswick, Me.—The Blond Tiger, 132, Lowell, added another to his list when he beat Lloyd "Scotty" Hudson, 130, Bath, in eight rounds. Jimmy Cook, 148, Lowell, stopped Dick Villeneuve, 145, Berlin, N. H., two. Pat Dyer, 149, Brunswick, kayoed Pete Nickerson, 154, Brunswick, five.

Lewiston, Me.—The biggest house of the year—2,000—saw Leo Mayo, 142½, Augusta, outfight slugging veteran Ed Letourneau, 148, Sanford, in an eight round wild punching bee. Mayo used left jabs to keep ahead of Eddie's hard rights.

Norm Bennett, Auburn, fought Babe Querion, Waterville, to a draw in the six-round semi-final.

Mechanics Building, Boston—Fighting before a record crowd of the season in this hall, 5,816 fans paid a net of $9,064, to see Jack "Spider" Armstrong, 128½, Toronto, whip the current New England featherweight boss, Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, 127¾, South End, in ten hard-hitting rounds.

Experience told over youth, as the veteran Canadian dropped Hayes three times, and had him groggy on several occasions. Hayes was as game as they come and though behind all the way, gave one the feeling that he could turn the tide at any moment. The "Spider" was cautious, wasted no punches, and had the upper hand throughout. Buddy's best round was the fifth, when he buckled the cagey "Spider's" legs with a right to the jaw.

The Blond Tiger, 128, Lowell, a sub for Tommy Greb, won an unpopular decision over Tony Roberts, 125, Winnipeg, Man., in the eight-round semi-final. The Tiger was strong and all motion, while what blows were struck by Roberts, landed clean.

Jimmy McKeagney, 169, Quincy, beat Mike Gagne, 180, Spencer, in a sixer. Jimmy dropped Gagne on the lower rope in the final round.

Benny Delgado, 140½, Providence, R. I., sharpshooter, a Negro lad, withstood the early poundings of the opening rounds to halt Young Terryo, 138, Toronto, in the third. This was reputed to be Terryo's first pro bout, and he did all right for himself.

Frankie Royce, 142, South End, won over Joe Palaza, 135, Roxbury, in four.

Manchester, N. H.—Floriant Desmarais, 132½, Manchester, stopped Billy Zaduk, 138, Toronto, in the fifth. Al Hallie, 142, Worcester, won by knockout over Duke Demers, 143, Suncook, N. H., four.

Salem—Floored five times in the third, Eddie De Angelis, 126, Revere, came back strong to beat Tony Ferry, 130, Fall River, by decision in eight rounds. Irish Bob Flanagan, 150, Boston, stopped Tony Shumway, 160, Webster, in five. Harry Trott, 132, Salem, outpointed Carter Holmes, 135, Boston, four. Tom Sheldon, 136, Saugus, halted Eddie Moran, Boston, three. Frankie Young, 152, Roxbury, knocked out Danny Boy, Fall River, three.

Keene, N. H.—After an absence of several years boxing was resumed here at the City Hall.

Tommy "Red" Welles, lightweight of Manchester, knocked out Ray Allison, Negro, of Roxbury, in the second heat. "Chuck" Jackson, veteran featherweight of Pittsburgh, put away "Chick" Jones, Negro, in three rounds, in the six round semi-final. Bobby Conway, Manchester, stopped Don Murray, U.S. Army, in the fourth. Armand "Kid" Cournoyer, Derry, got the nod over Henry Dunn, Manchester, four. Robert Simpson, Tilton, decisioned Kid Holmes, Tilton, four.

Brockton—Pat Demers, 135, Brockton, won an easy ten round decision over Santiago Riviera, 140, Brooklyn. Johnny Canapinha, 146, Wareham, stopped Eddie Moran, 140, Boston, three.

Worcester—Leo Mucucci, 129, Portland, Me., knocked out Bobby English, 129, Fall River, two. Bill Landry, tough Worcester boy, 164, and Al Barbosa, 158, Hanson, recent winner over Eddie Ellis, battled to an eight round draw.

Mechanics Building, Boston — Bobby Zollo, 147¾, Providence, R. I., stopped Johnny Moran, Brighton, in the tenth round of a cautious battle. Moran, a terrific hitter, had Zollo backpedaling in the first six rounds and unwilling to take chances. In the eighth, Moran ran into a stiff left to the jaw which dropped him. From this point on, Moran faded and in the tenth, with his right eye closed tight, the referee stopped the affair.

Benny Delgado, 137, Providence Negro, used a left jab to beat Floriant Desmarais, 134¼, Manchester Bear, in the eight round semi-final.

John Finney, Philadelphia, won a dull bout of six rounds over Eddie Sparks, 162, Negro, of New Haven.

Jack Webber, 141, Pawtucket, beat Lenny Lavoie, 141, Worcester, by decision, in the best fight of the night, six. Charlie Celeste, 128, Boston, won over George Butler, 130, Waterbury, four.

Lewiston, Me.—Young Kid Drew, 152, Lewiston outfought Maurice Cloutier, 159, Manchester, N. H., eight.

Boston Arena—Cleo Shans, 138, Los Angeles, was too much for Davey Andrews, 140, Lowell, to handle and Shans beat the handsome blond over the ten round route. Always crowding, Negro Shans started a continuous body attack to the local lad's body, which left him red and tired at the final bell. Shans just knew too much for a fighter of Andrews' experience.

Vinnie Vazzo, 135, Revere, hit Billy Marcus, 134, Hartford, with everything but the post but made no impression on him in an eight rounder.

Johnny Priest, 140, Cambridge, evened the score with Joe Polowitzer, 137½, Hartford, by beating him in another eight rounder.

Billy Napper, 146, Boston Negro, won the nod over Paul Bangs, 143, Cambridge, six.

Johnny Woods, Negro, 139, Dorchester, upset the dope by beating Roy Andrews, 138, Lowell, Dave's brother, in a sixer. Woods used a nice left to win this one.

Salem—Tommy Greb, 129, Boston, kept on winning by beating Tony Roberts, 123½, Winnipeg, Man., ten. Johnny Mara, 155, Boston, was barred from Mass. rings when he kicked Frankie Young, 152, New Bedford in the sixth round.

Burlington, Vt.—Buster Beaupre, 141, Burlington, flattened Phil Beltram, 140, Montreal in one heat. Roland Prairie, 128, Montreal, knocked out Johnny Lewis, 130, Providence, R. I., two.

Manchester, N.H.—Tommy Wells, 134, Manchester, made his reentry in local rings an impressive one by stopping Steve Bellus, 137, Toronto, in seven. Billy Zaduk, 137, Toronto, knocked out Jimmy Riley, 139, Manchester, in two frames.

Brockton—Frankie Feener, 149, Randolph, another ex-service man boxing again, under the management of Eddie Shevlin, fought a draw with Joe Celetti, 144, Providence, in ten. Johnny Canapinha, 145, Wareham, stopped Carter Holmes, 142, Boston, two.

Bangor, Me.—Lloyd "Scotty" Hudson, 138, Bath, stopped Johnny Campbell, 134, Brewer, two. Eddie Hudson, 130, Bath, drew with Buddy Labbe, 137, Lewiston, six.

Fall River—Al Costa, 155, Woonsocket, R. I., beat Tommy Belmont, 155, Toronto, over the ten-round route. Gene LeBlanc, 122, Fall River, stopped George Butler, 126, Waterbury, Conn., in two.

Portland, Me.—Eddie Letourneau, 145¾, Sanford, won the Maine welterweight title from Bobby Pooler, 137½, Portland, in two rounds. Ivan Jones, 124, Portland, and Charlie Kelly, 127, Boston, fought a draw, six.

Keene, N. H.—Tom Spencer, 146, New Waterford, N. S., kayoed Frankie Young, 146, Boston, ten.

Newport, Vt.—Tony Morando, 181, Newport, kayoed James Roberts, 184, Montreal, two.

Worcester—Jimmy Mooney, 148, stiff punching Shrewsbury boy, stopped veteran Oscar Suggs, 150, Newport, R. I., in the eighth frame. Johnny Canapinha, 136, Wareham, stopped George Butler, 130, Waterbury, Conn., four. Paul King, 152, Buffalo, N. Y., won over Ace Wallace, 155, Boston, in four.

Augusta, Me.—Al Michaud, 144, Lisbon, stopped Leo Mayo, 146, Augusta, two. Mayo had recently beaten Letourneau, who in turn had stopped Michaud. Confusing situation in the Maine welterweight class but interesting.

Brunswick, Me.—Maurice Cloutier, 161, Manchester, N. H., won over Johnny Mara, 161, Boston, in eight. Mara was disqualified from Mass. rings a few days ago.

Joe Molinari, the live wire boy who promoted such big sporting events in England and France for 2½ years, has been in Boston for a week looking over the boxing setup. Joe, when in England was in charge of the Special Service for entertainment of all the Eighth Air Force. He gave the GIs such displays as the Tea Bowl game, ETO baseball champions, boxing shows to a dozen bases, and made successful contributions to the Billy Conn, Joe Louis and Jack Dempsey shows. Yet this man cannot get a good spot in the boxing game. Why?

Lewiston, Me.—Tiger Flowers, 146, Worcester, outfought Al Michaud, 144½, Lisbon, in eight.

Mechanics Building Boston—Tommy Sullivan, 169½, South Boston, knocked out Tiger Lou Jones, 171, Port Chester, N. Y., in the fourth frame. Tommy had the upper hand all the way, dropping Jones four times in the first, then finishing the job in the fourth.

Tommy Greb, West End southpaw, 127½, stopped Ritchie Myashira, 130, Japanese-American of New York, in the second round.

John Henry Eskew, 169, powerful Negro boy of Brockton, kayoed Tony Gillo, 167½, New Haven, in the fourth.

In the only fight to go the scheduled ten rounds, Ernie Forte, 147, Providence, outfought Jimmy Mills, 153, Newark, N. J. Forte won all but the first and fifth rounds.

Burlington, Vt.—Billy Carroll Southerner, 128, New York, outpointed Johnny Bouffard, 129, Quebec City, Que., eight.

Salem—Blond Tiger, 127, Lowell veteran, won over Tony Ferry, 129, Fall River, in the top eight-rounder. Eddie Soares, 158, Providence, stopped Ed Sparks, 160, New Haven, a sub for Bob Flanagan in two. Felix LeBlanc, 133, Fall River, won over Tom Sheldon, 136, Saugus, four. Norman Perigny, 171, Lowell, outpointed Benny Thomas, 165, Boston, four. Harry Trott, 132, Salem, kayoed Art Hall, 135, Boston, three.

Boston Arena—Dennis "Pat" Brady, 133, knockout puncher from Hartford, failed to flatten Walter "Cabey" Lewis, 129, Brooklyn, but did everything but in their ten-round bout. Brady, though failing to score a knockout in a Boston ring, won practically every round from Lewis.

Al Smith, 131, Roxbury Negro, whipped Alvin Hudson, 134, Bath, Me., in the eight-round semi-final.

Larry Pacino, Roxbury, making a comeback, at a heavy 164 pounds, kayoed Pettie, 160, Woburn, in the opening round.

Buddy Brown, 157, Boston, and Eddie Rossi, 161, Everett, battled to a six round draw.

Frankie Waters, 130, North End, beat Charlie Kelly, 128, Toronto, in a four-rounder.

The writer would like to hear from Ray "The Whiz" Wyzykiewicz, Herbie Williams, Al Reado and Wee Willie Wright. Drop us a note at 6 Beacon St., Room 628, Boston 8, Mass.

The strong-finishing Al (Red) Priest, 152½, of Cambridge, knocked out rugged Neva Esparza, 146½, of Mexico City, with a terrific barrage of lefts and rights to the head in the eighth round of their scheduled 10-round feature boxing bout tonight before an 11,982 crowd at the Boston Garden.

The colorful and skillful Kid Chicken, 161½, of Pittsburgh, pounded out a decisive decision over Reedy Evans, 164½, of Hackensack, N. J., in another 10-rounder.

Evans was knocked down twice, in the third and ninth rounds, by lefts to the body, but he jumped back into action without taking a count either time.

With former heavyweight champion Jack Sharkey directing him, huge Johnny Shkor, 223½, of Boston, gained a six-round technical knockout over Ralph Ivins, 189, of Brunswick, N. J., in ten.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By BILLY COLBERT

DAVID MORE, a Canadian Welterweight, who makes Calgary and Regina his home, is coming to the Twin Cities looking for action. . . . Bob Gibbons, who is in Japan, will get his discharge next month. Bob is a Staff Sgt. and trained the army boxers in the Korean-Japan tournament. . . . Paul Grant, an Indian heavyweight from Montana, will also come to the Twin Cities looking for fights.

Al Manriquez, a good Mexican featherweight before enlisting in the army, now lives at Boone, Iowa. He boxed such boys as Everette Rightmire, Jackie Wilson, Harvey Woods, Leo Rodak and Myles Martinez. . . . Myles Martinez, a good featherweight who retired a few years ago, had a good prospect in Pete Renturia, a heavyweight from St. Paul. . . . Al Bache, formerly of Superior, now back after three years in the service, is planning a comeback under the direction of Emmett Weller, former lightweight champion of Minnesota.

St. Paul Auditorium—Golden Glove Finals—An attendance of 3600 fans witnessed the last night of a three day tournament. Tommy Gibbons, King of the Victory Carnival for 1946, was called on to present the team trophy. The Gibbons gymnasium was the winner. The winners were as follows: 112 pound class, Chuck McCoy; 118 pound class, Bob Lodge; 126 pound class, Harold Schoemmer; 135 pound class, Dick Smith; 147 pound class, Roland Musselman; 160 pound class, Paul Huth; 175 pound class, Frank Cobb; heavyweight class, August Roettger.

St. Paul Auditorium, Feb. 16—Tiny Lee of Minneapolis, 270, won over Lindy Elliott, Chicago, 240, in the third round of an eight round main event before a packed house. The referee had to stop the fight in the third round on account of a bad cut over Elliott's eye. Lee was winning all the way until that time.

In the semi-windup, Johnny O'Brien of Calumet, 152, scored a close decision over Buzz Brown, St. Paul, 148, in six rounds. Erle Adkinson of St. Paul, 170, knocked out Jimmy Crowe, Danville, 169, in the third round. Del Cockayne, Des Moines, 115, decisioned Mickey Wilson, Chicago, 135, in six rounds.

Ted Morrison, 170, St. Paul, and Fred Ford, St. Paul, 176, boxed a six round draw in a very good fight. Paul Paulus, So. St. Paul, 135, knocked out Dick Miller, Chicago, in three rounds.

Mike Fischer, former heavyweight from St. Paul before enlisting in the Army Air Corps, won the regional district heavyweight championship in Denver. Mike is back in town with his discharge and will swing into action in the near future.

Minneapolis Auditorium, Feb. 19th—Before an all time record crowd of 10,288 fans in the Minneapolis Auditorium, the Northwest Golden Gloves champions were crowned. In the flyweight class, Ed Lacey, Minneapolis, outpointed Lloyd Livingston, Austin, Minn.

Dick Feittinger, St. Cloud, won over Dave Peak, Ascension Club, Minneapolis, for the bantamweight championship.

Del Flanagan, Ascension Club, Minneapolis, outpointed Dick Mays, Mankato, for the featherweight championship.

Bobby Daniels, Duluth, won over Allan Wilson, Slayton, Minn., in the lightweight class.

Emil Evans, Slayton, won the decision over Jerry Slavin, Minneapolis, for the welterweight title.

Johnny McGrand, Rochester, outpointed Neil Schwah, Duluth, in the middleweight class.

Marvin Schutz, Minneapolis, knocked out Rudy Marich, Hibbing, for the light-heavyweight title. Richard Grant, Minneapolis, knocked out Bud Streit, Fairmont, for the heavyweight title.

St. Paul, Minn.—Mike Gibbons, the Phantom of the Ring, was appointed Boxing Commissioner, by Governor Thye of Minnesota. Mike succeeds Lee Runyon on the Commission for a three year term expiring in 1949. Here is an appointment that will be well met by all in the boxing game in Minnesota. As far as boxing is concerned Mike knows all the answers and questions. Mike came up in boxing the hard way. He began his career in 1907 when boxing was not legalized in Minnesota. In 1915 Mike played an important role in legalizing boxing in Minnesota. Gibbons' success in the boxing game inspired other husky St. Paul youngsters to emulate his feats with the result St. Paul turned out more topnotch pugilists than any other city in America during a similar era. Here is a list of some of them: Tommy Gibbons, heavyweight. Mike O'Dowd, middleweight champion. Johnny Ertle, bantamweight champion. Billy Miske, heavyweight contender; Jimmy Delaney, light-heavyweight. Jock Malone, a great middleweight. Billy Whelan and Bobby Ward, a couple of good lightweights. My Sullivan, welterweight. Billy Light, welterweight, and Jack Gibbons, middleweight. —

Blaine Young, promising middleweight, is expecting his discharge from the Navy this month. . . . Booker Ellis, welterweight, back from the Navy, is in St. Paul and in training. . . . Erle Adkinson, the 175 pounder, has been winning consistently around here. He knocked out Jimmy Crowe of Danville, in the third round of the last St. Paul show. . . . George Barton, Minneapolis sports writer, who is the Commissioner in Minneapolis, and Mike Gibbons in St. Paul, are two of the best Commissioners in the game because they know what it is all about and can handle any situation that may come up. . . . Bob Costello and Dick Watzel are the instructors at the Police Gym in St. Paul. . . . Frankie Gruber, former lightweight, is the instructor at the St. Francis Church Club in St. Paul. . . . Mike O'Dowd, former middleweight champion, has opened a first class tavern in St. Paul and is doing a good business. Bobby Ward, lightweight in the 20s, is a floor man for the Harp. . . . Training at the St. Francis De Salle Gym in St. Paul are Ken White, 135, Norm Morse, 122, Chuck Thomas, 147, Ed Zugschwert, 145, Bob Bour, 122, and Bob Winston, 145. . . . Chief Crazy Horse, welterweight from Poplar, Mont., who has been doing a lot of boxing in the northwest, has reenlisted in the army and is on his way to the So. Pacific. . . . Johnny McCarty, the heavyweight, back from the South Pacific, is training for a comeback after serving three years with the paratroopers. . . . Karl Ogren, from Stone Lake, Wisc., is down in Mexico on a vacation.

FISTIC NEWS IN EDMONTON AND CALGARY, CAN.
By WALT MARLOW

ERNIE FARR, Calgary fistic promoter, on February 13 launched his first western Canada title bout since the end of the war, at the Victory Pavilion, Benny Geary, 27-year-old Edmonton welterweight, captured the western Canada welterweight championship in a ten round title bout with Tommy Deschambeault, when Referee Billy Drain awarded the bout to Geary in the third round after Geary had been fouled in the second and third rounds.

A short left to the solar plexis dropped Geary for a nine count in the second heat. Showing a lot of gameness, Geary regained his upright position and managed to weather the storm. The referee informed the judges that Geary had been floored by a foul blow, and thus gave the round to Geary.

After being dropped twice more in the third round, Billy Drain awarded the bout to Geary on fouls. Geary was obviously knocked out in the third round and the customers thought the decision a poor one.

The day following the fight, the Calgary Boxing and Wrestling Commission stated that Drain failed to carry out the rules regarding low blows, and that all bets should be called off. Said Secretary Jack Miller, "The referee can only take the round away and award it to the fouled fighter. He cannot award the decision."

Results of the preliminaries on the card: Billy Green decisioned Georgie King in four rounds. Johnny Koss of Calgary hit too hard for Danny McCullough of Edmonton and scored a TKO at 1:10 of the fourth round. Joe Donovan of Winnipeg scored a fourth round knockout over Eddie Holosney of Calgary, while in the semi-windup attraction, Ray Colling of Vancouver stopped Amos Murphy in 1:53 of the first round.

Short Jabs—Bob Elkin, the man who launched Johnny Greco on a fistic career and who is now handling Phil Palmer of Vancouver, recently added Roddy MacDonald, Edmonton born middleweight, to his stable.

Twenty-four-year-old MacDonald captured the Vancouver and Seattle Golden Gloves recently, and was acclaimed by Barney Ross, who refereed one of his Seattle bouts, as the hardest hitting amateur he had ever seen. Winner of 122 of 126 fights while in the Canadian Army, MacDonald was voted the outstanding performer in the Seattle Gloves.

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Additions and Corrections in Ring Record Books

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Add to Walter La Marr's record 1944—March 10, Mike Zarett, Philadelphia, W. 6.

On records of Ellis Phillips and Vince Dell 'Orto, change result of June 19, 1941, contest to a win for Dell 'Orto.

For record of Buddy Holmes, two 1942 fights: Oct. 2, Steve Izzy, Philadelphia, L. 6; Oct. 16, Steve Izzy, Philadelphia, D. 6.

To 1942 record of Bob Winters add: April 10, Johnny Craven, Philadelphia, L. 8.

In 1941 record of Paul Altman insert: Billy Shaw, Ocean Park, KO 2.

Insert these bouts in record of Leonardo Lopez:
1942—Luis Castillo, Mexico City, KO by 3; Luis Castillo, Mexico City, KO by 3 (twice).
1943—Luis Castillo, Mexico City, KO by 2; Luis Castillo, Mexico City, L. 10.

To National Kid's record: 1942—Leonardo Lopez, Mexico City, KO 3.

On record of Carlos Malacara: 1940—Dec. 30, Guillermo Puentes, Havana, D. 10.

Add record of Tommy Gomez: 1941—Nov. 24, Wild Bill Rhinehardt, Chester, S. C., KO 2.

Lige Drew record: 1942—Johnny Verdusco, San Diego, KO 2.

Additions for Clarence "Cotton" King:
1940—Jan. 13, Jimmy Hatcher, W. Palm Beach, L. 10; Feb. 9, Jimmy Hatcher, W. Palm Beach, W. 10.
1941—Carlos Malacara, Mexico City, L. 10; Dec., Bobby Britton, Miami Beach, KO by 9.

Alabama Kid's record: 1931—Elmer Bezenah, L. 10.

To record of Tom Murray, Canadian lightweight, add:
1942—Marcel Fournier, Montreal, W. 5; Leo Methot, Montreal, W. 6.
1943—Leo Methot, Montreal, W. 6; Jim Thompson, Montreal, KO 4; Al Laperriere, Montreal, D. 6; Kid Point, Montreal, W. 6; May 9, Yvonne Cote, Montreal, L. 4; Willie Ross, Quebec, W. 8.
1944—Oct., Norman Lee, Montreal, KO 3.

Despite "No Foul" Rule, Boxer Can Win on a Foul

FEW persons are aware of the fact that though New York fathered the "No Foul" rule and that this is still in effect in the Empire State, a fighter can win on a foul. How? Well here's the answer:

A strict adherence to the no foul was tossed overboard quietly in New York following the fight between Dave Crowley and Mike Belloise on September 4, 1936, a bout which Belloise won by a knockout after he had fouled the British boxer. The commission called in its judges and referees and the men were told that if in their opinion a fighter was deliberately fouled, the decision must be given to the victim of the foul.

Prior to that, the victim was awarded only the round, but if flattened by a foul punch, he was counted out by the referee and his opponent received credit for a knockout. The action of the commission was based on a complaint of Crowley and his mentor who insisted that the English fighter had been deliberately hit low and the commission decided to modify its No Foul rule.

We wonder how many officials of the commission are aware that this rule is on the books of the New York State Boxing Board!

LITTLE RHODY'S FISTIC HIGHLIGHTS

By EDDIE BECK

EDWARD C. FOSTER is starting his twenty-first year with the Rhode Island Boxing Commission. He was appointed commissioner when boxing was first legalized in this state in 1925. Foster served two terms as president of the National Boxing Association.

Jack Dempsey appeared as a referee on Manny Almeida's inaugural wrestling show staged at the Arcadia. Dempsey was tendered a dinner by the local sportsmen the same day.

Fleet-footed Benny Delgado is being avoided by New England's top lightweights after scoring two sensational victories at the Mechanics Building in Boston. In his Boston debut, Delgado was wildly acclaimed by more than 6000 spectators and received much praise from the press. Floriant Desmarais, winner of nine consecutive main bouts, was Delgado's second victim.

Bobby Zollo, clever East Providence welterweight, attracted more than 5000 rooters in his battle with Johnny Moran at Boston.

Eddie "Nonny" Soares, local hard-hitting favorite, is back in tiptop condition after a 13 week layoff. The former state amateur champ holds victories over Irish Bob Flannagan, Basil Mazera and other good middleweights.

Gene Farland, local middleweight, has returned to pre-war form. Farland is undefeated in 18 fights.

Ernie Guisti, popular lightweight, was victorious in his initial ten round main bout. His victim was Joe Celetti.

Sonny Britto has joined the pros. He is managed by Muggsy Mandell.

Joey Angelo has been discharged from the Navy and is making his home in Providence. This writer believes Angelo will be among the leading lightweights before the end of the year. Bobby Ruffin is being sought as an opponent for Angelo. . . . Pete Zollo, winner over Tiny Taylor, 275 pounds, Panama Canal Depot heavyweight champion while in the army, is now battling as a civilian and winning. . . . Manny Almeida moved his wrestling and boxing shows to the more spacious Arcadia. He will stage wrestling on Tuesdays and boxing on Wednesdays.

Jimmy D'mbra presents boxing matches at the Elks Club on Fridays and Promoter Dave Cashman packs them in at the R. I. Auditorium on Mondays.

Larry McManus has a good prospect in sailor Frankie Hardiman, a lanky lightweight.

Ralph Zannelli won twice over Maxie Berger in the same fight. Berger was disqualified after he arose from a knockdown and then went to one knee without being hit in the first round. Tim Ferrick overruled the referee and had the fighters continue. A gross gate of $9,300 was recorded that night. The highest in about three years.

Jolting Jimmy Ruzzo has retired from the ring.

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Results of the month follow:

Rhode Island Auditorium—Walter "Popeye" Woods, New York middleweight, beat Bert Lytell, Oakland, Cal., in a ten-rounder.

Gene Buffalo, Philadelphia, beat Benny Davis, New York, in an eight round semi-final.

Morris Kapp, Providence, beat Ernie Cabral, New Haven.

Roland Gomes, Fall River, beat Billy Barbour, Providence, in sixes.

Joey Rogers, Bridgeport, Conn., knocked out Johnny Bell, Wareham, Mass., in the first round.

Elks Club—Tony Costa, 134¾, Woonsocket, R. I., beat Joey Longo, 127¾, Baltimore, in a ten round main go.

Jimmy Callura, 124, Englewood, N. J., stopped Artie Vitt, 127, Medford, Mass., in the third round of an eight round semi.

Martin Taber, 124¼, Providence, lost on a TKO in the first round to Chuck Ackworth, 124¼, Toronto, Canada.

Jackie Webber, 140, Pawtucket, R. I., beat Frankie Young, 144, Roxbury, Mass., in four. Felix LeBlanc, 134, Fall River, knocked out Ed Moran, 135, Boston, in three rounds.

R. I. Auditorium—Ralph Zannelli, 144, beat Maxie Berger, 147½, New York, in a ten-rounder.

Tony Gillo, 168, New Haven, was awarded a TKO over the clowning Lew Perez, 164, New York, in the sixth of an eight round semi.

Frank Foley, 140½, New Haven, stopped Roland Gomez, 149, Fall River, in the fourth of a six.

Shamus McCray, 143, Cleveland, beat Joey Polowitzer, 138, Hartford, and Ernie Cabral, 139, New Haven, beat Billy Marcus, 132, Hartford, in sixes.

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Fall River Casino—Pete Zollo, 199, Providence, knocked out Jimmy Davis, 200, Worcester, Mass., in one round.

Elks Club—Ernie Forte, 149½, Providence, stopped Norman "Red" Rahn, 152, Philadelphia, in the third round of a ten round main bout.

Eddie "Nonny" Soares, 158½, was outpointed by Bob Flannagan, 154, Boston, in the semi-final.

Jackie Webber, 138½, Pawtucket, kayoed Willie Keene, 144, Cambridge, Mass., in the first round of a sixer.

Lou Tavares, 140½, West Warwick, beat Joe Palazza, 134, Roxbury, Mass., in six.

Gene Farland, 167, Providence, stopped Steve Worcester, 173, Manchester, N. H., in one round.

R. I. Auditorium—Patsy Brandino, 134¾, Providence, and Hamilton, Ont., beat Jackie Leamus, 139½, New York, in a ten round main bout.

Shamus McCray, 140, Cleveland, knocked out Jimmy McLarnin, 141¾, New Bedford, in the final round of the eight round semi.

Joey Dell, 128¼, New Haven, knocked out Felix LeBlanc, 135, Fall River, in the fifth of a sixer.

Frank Foley, 141½, beat Frank Hardiman, 139, Providence, Joey Rogers, 139½, beat Ernie Cabral, 141¾, in sixes.

Salem, Mass.—Eddie "Nonny" Soares, 158, Providence, knocked out Eddie Sparks, 160, New Haven, Conn., in the second round of a scheduled eight.

RING NEWS FROM OKLAHOMA

By M. C. DUNCAN

OKLAHOMA CITY got its professional boxing back during the past month and—if the first card is an example of those to come—boxing is going to be a permanent resident here.

"Babe" Hunt (he was fighting boys like Dempsey and Risko a decade or so ago), is the latest to go into the promotion field here. He is trying to give the fight fans cards that will be deserving of full houses at the Municipal Auditorium.

The main event of his initial show brought out Tony Elizondo of Corpus Christi, Texas, against Jimmy Edwards of Oklahoma City in a slam-bang middleweight match. Elizondo was in complete command of the situation at all times. He put Edwards down for the count in the seventh round. All agreed that Elizondo was a very efficient ring craftsman and it was easy to understand how he rates such praise as THE RING's designation of middleweight prospect of the month in March.

The semi-final bout kept the fans on their feet most of the time as Jake Stephens pounded out an eight round decision over Billy Deeg of Houston. Stephens is an Oklahoma City lad who has been doing quite well in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas rings since his discharge from the paratroops.

Both boys were down for counts during the scrap, although Stephens was in control most of the time, having Deeg on the verge of a KO in the closing seconds of the last round. Deeg showed much of the ability that made him the number one welterweight of the Southwest several years ago, but could not stand up under Stephens' terrific right hand and powerful left hooks. It was a middleweight match.

In the main preliminary of the evening, Dick Smith, finalist in last year's Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions at Chicago, took a close decision over middleweight Joey Martinez in six rounds. It was nip and tuck all the way with Smith having enough edge in the early rounds to pull out a victory. Smith is now an Oklahoma City fireman and was making his pro debut; Martinez was formerly from Juarez, Mexico, and is presently fighting out of Wichita, Kansas.

Other results follow:

Bill Shockley, Oklahoma City, dec. Leon Yost, Oklahoma City, four.

Bob Zieman, Oklahoma City, TKO over Tony York, Lindsay, Oklahoma, two.

Irish Mickey Travers, Oklahoma City, KO over Cecil Kickapoo, Oklahoma City, one.

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BUFFALO, N. Y.

By HUGH SHANNON

JOE MUSCATO, back from the South Pacific and the war against the Japs, returned to a Buffalo ring on March 4th and beat Buddy Knox, veteran Dayton, Ohio, heavyweight, in ten rounds. Muscato won nine of the ten rounds and forced what fighting there was but the bout was far from a thriller. Muscato will have to get a few wins under his belt to reach the form he attained before going into the army.

When war came, Joe was the best of the Muscato boys but Phil has kept right on fighting and is now in far better form than Joe. Maybe a couple of months' training and some victories will bring Joe back into fighting form again. His friends all hope so.

In other bouts on the Muscato-Knox card, Art Foster, 139½, Buffalo, won a decision over Jimmy Rizzo, 138½, Hamilton, Ont., six rounds; Bob Dare, 167, Buffalo, knocked out George Sapolich, 166, Johnstown, Pa., fourth round; Joe Matisi, 212, Endicott, flattened Howard Chard, 210½, Toronto, in 2:38 of the first round; Jimmie Pierce, 139, Buffalo, and Glen Massey, 136, Buffalo, put up a snappy four rounder with Massey winning the duke; Nello Nucelli, Rochester, beat Fred Zazo in jigtime, the referee halting the bout in the first round.

The attendance was 3992 paid with net receipts of $5874.

Willie Pep, featherweight champion of the world, received a bad punch that almost upset him when he fought Jimmy Joyce of Gary, Ind., a rugged Negro lad in the Hudson Club's main event on February 13. It was in the eighth round that Pep, getting careless, ran into a hard right to the body which put him in bad shape for the remainder of the round. Joyce tried hard after that but was no match for the incomparable Pep. Willie is one of the greatest ever to show in Buffalo and aside from one bad round, the eighth, Willie was out in front of Joyce all the way.

Paid attendance was 5900. The gross receipts were $10,777.

Mike Martyk was given a poor decision in his eight rounder with Rudy Zadell of Akron, Ohio. Martyk won six of the eight rounds according to my tally, but the officials split on the decision with Zadell getting the nod. Frank Wakefield, Buffalo *Evening News* expert, describes the decision as weird and declares that Martyk won at least six rounds. Poor decisions like this don't do the game or the boxer any good.

In other Hudson Club bouts, Ham Wiloby, 138, Trinidad, whipped Proctor Heinold, 133, Oklahoma City, six rounds; Bobby Dare, 168, Buffalo, beat Billy Patton, 179, Reading, Pa., also in a six rounder; Dom Fiantini whipped Mike Gravina in a six and Dan Saunders defeated Shamus McCray in four sessions.

Around the Town—Jack Singer, major domo of the Hudson Club, makes it known that Lee Oma will perform for the HAC again within a few weeks. . . . Oma made a hit in his last local appearance when he handily outpointed Phil Muscato. . . . Dewey Michaels would like to get Sugar Ray Robinson signed for a Buffalo appearance against a worthwhile opponent. . . . Sugar Ray is the best your correspondent has seen since the palmy days of Benny Leonard. . . . Mike Martyk is getting ready for a busy spring campaign. . . . Bert Finch, his manager, expects to get the St. Catharine's lad a shot in Philadelphia very soon. . . . Billy Mitchie, former Fairview matchmaker, has opened an office in New York. Billy will book fighters around the country. . . . Tommy Paul, one-time featherweight star and N.B.A. champion, is now boxing instructor at the Buffalo Athletic Club. . . . Tommy also has a couple of young boxers under his wing. . . . Tony Tozzo, a star welterweight of a dozen years ago and a brother of Rocky Kansas and Joe (Kid) Kansas has passed on. Death came to the popular Buffalo boy at the age of 38. . . . Charlie (Little Tex) Pinto, is hustling around and making some good matches for the Fairview Club. Pinto has a good number of shows booked for the spring.

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SPOKANE NEWS

By JIMMY TANSY

THE rematch of Frankie Gimbel and Jimmy Hayden again proved very unsatisfactory, not because there wasn't enough action, but because of the decision. To almost every one who witnessed the scrap, the fight was Gimbel's by a comfortable margin. Despite the howling and scowling the decision still stands as a draw.

In the six round semi, Jackie Turner, 118, ran rings around the ever-trying left-hooking Benny Jerome only to get a draw for his efforts. Boy! did the fans yell about this one! True Benny had the better of the going in the last two rounds and if the bout was of a longer duration, might have evened the score or perhaps won the decision, but the judges aren't supposed to imagine things. They get paid off for judging only what they see.

Leo Sweeney, 147, and Addison McLeon, 154, opened up professional hostilities with Sweeney swooning McLeon in three rounds. The rest of the card was made up of three amateur bouts due to shortage(?) of boxing talent.

Is boxing getting a run around in Spokane? The armory is available for other sports, why not boxing? There are more things the matter than, for instance, the decisions. Why doesn't the commission adopt judging rules after the New York State Commission? In that way the innocent judge of a raw verdict would not be erroneously blamed for the mistakes of others. Each judge and referee should hand his slip to the announcer and then have it read over the public address system. If the commissioner wants to put Spokane back on the fistic map he had better do something about these conditions.

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY

By BUS BURKE

THE St. Louis *Globe Democrat* Golden Gloves Tournament was one of the greatest sponsored by the *Globe* since the solid sessions of amateur boxing were inaugurated eleven years ago. An all time high was set this year with a total attendance of 36,357 for the four nights of socking. The finals were witnessed by a capacity crowd at the Oakland Avenue Arena which numbered 15,879 and the gathering deposited $24,068.20 to see the St. Louis champs crowned. There were champions crowned in their own weight classes in the Open, Novice and the Sub-Novice divisions. In all there were 28 champions made.

Champions in the Open Division are as follows: Heavyweight, Mike Buha of So. Broadway A.C. Light-heavyweight, Bob Foxworth of E. St. Louis Journal. Middleweight, Louis Gray, unattached. Welterweight, Ray Mastilovich of So. Broadway A.C. Lightweight, Virgil Aikens, unattached. Featherweight, Jackie Dicker, Downtown Y.M.C.A. Bantamweight, Eddie Dames of So. Broadway A.C. Flyweight, George Faulkner of So. Broadway A.C.

There were eight novice champions and twelve sub-novice champions crowned. Four of the eight open division champions came from the South Broadway A.C.

Lou Wallach has completed all arrangements to reopen Palace Gardens for his weekly pro fight cards of the club variety. Wallach's present plans are to operate the Garden on a weekly basis with the big name attractions to be presented at the Oakland Ave. Arena. Managers with fighters and fighters wishing to show at these places can contact Wallach at 3625 Enright Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

The most successful pro boxing show in St. Louis in several years was promoted by Leon (Hans) Bernstein at Kiel Auditorium on the evening of February 22. The five bout card was witnessed by 6,871 paying guests and the gate was $16,615.20. Charley Riley, St. Louis's best featherweight prospect since the days of PeeWee Kaiser, lost a close one to the very aggressive ex-featherweight champion, Phil Terranova. This was a fight that had the fans on their feet and yelling from the time of the first bell until the end when Riley was dropped at the 2:39 mark of the sixth round. It was the terrific body beating that slowed and then stopped Riley. Going into the fifth round in my books it was Riley slightly in the lead, but mid-way in the fifth Riley began to sag and the power seemed to leave that lullaby right hand with which he had shaken Terranova in the four previous rounds. It was a bruising battle and both boys fought their way into the hearts of the several thousand fans and Riley in his defeat was given a terrific ovation when he left the ring. Terranova was superb.

The results follow:

Main Event—Phil Terranova, 128½, New York, K.O.'ed Charley Riley, 128, St. Louis, in sixth round. Dick Young, referee.

Semi-final bout—Bennie Droll, 164, Peoria, Ill., decisioned Jack Hill, 174, Bloomington, Ill., in eight rounds. Jimmy Parker, referee.

Prelim bouts—Jimmie Fields, 197, St. Louis, and Gib Jones, 174, of Charleston, W. Va., fought to a six round draw. Jimmy Parker, referee. Fred Latson, 128, St. Louis, K.O.'ed Joe Palmo, 128, Cincinnati, in the first round of a scheduled six. Sullivan referee. Jimmy (Bull) Talbert, 160, St. Louis, stopped John Gulley, 168, St. Louis, in the first heat. Tommy Sullivan, referee. Judges, Gene Farrell and Al Graf. Timekeeper, Freddie Gilmaster.

Right Crosses—Dick Young is fast rounding into a most excellent referee. The manner in which he handled the Terranova and Riley bout was most pleasing and very business like. . . . Jimmy Bull is named correctly. He is built like a bull, fights like a bull and is a bully good fighter. He has had two starts as a pro and has two one-round knockouts to his credit. Bull is managed by James Booker and is trained by Joe Alivasto, former 135 pound amateur champ in St. Louis in 1931 and 1932. . . . Alonzo Karr, coach of the Herculaneum, Mo., Golden Gloves team, was selected as a coach to accompany the team of St. Louis *Globe Democrat* Golden Gloves champions to Chicago as a coach for the mid-western champions, in which St. Louis placed four boys in the finals. . . . Billy Reed, one of Henry Armstrong's proteges, has made two appearances here in St. Louis and is batting 500. . . . Fight patrons here would like to see Art Cooper get some competition that would make him extend himself. . . . Jimmy Farren, the Texas middleweight, has a hill-billy band that is playing to packed houses throughout the Lone Star state. . . . Thomas E. Walsh, Kansas City attorney, has been appointed secretary of the Mo. State Athletic Commission succeeding Fred Nachan of Springfield, Mo. . . . Marshall (Red) Wells, the flashy pugilistic thrill provider from the Lead Belt, has started preparing for his professional fistic debut under the guidance of yours truly.

Our new St. Louis commissioner, Wm. H. Herring, is to be highly commended for the stand that he took in the proposed Sugar Robinson-Lou Flyer fight. Flyer has accomplished nothing of note to qualify him for a match with Robinson, and Herring turned thumbs down on that contest.

Leon (Hans) Bernstein has some big name attractions that he would like to present to the fistic minded public at the Kiel Auditorium (St. Louis's Temple of Fistiana). Hans has installed boxing in this show place of sock on a big time basis and it looks as if boxing has again come to St. Louis to hang its hat and stay around for awhile. Managers with fighters and fighters wishing to show on the Bernstein promotions can contact Hans at the Maryland Hotel, 9th and Pine St., in St. Louis, Mo.

The Lou Wallach promotional venture sponsored by the St. Louis Fraternal Order of Eagles (Aerie 2384), featuring the renowned Ray (Sugar) Robinson against Cliff Beckett of Canada, was a financial flop. Robinson scored an easy four round knockout. Beckett was dropped in the first stanza for an eight count, in the second he was punched at will by the very clever Robinson and the third round saw Beckett on the deck six times for long counts. The show grossed $14,886.25 contributed by 6,991 ticket holders. Robinson got $7,500.00 (paid in advance) for his night's work. When the cash was counted and all expenses paid, it was found that the show was approximately three G's in the red. This much heralded event was staged at the Oakland Avenue Arena on February 27 and was supposed to help raise $60,000,000 for a National program sponsored by the Eagles to educate and to provide homes for the children whose fathers were Eagles who made the supreme sacrifice in World War II.

The results of the Arena card:

Main event—Ray (Sugar) Robinson, New York, 147, knocked out Cliff Beckett, Sudbury, Ont., Canada, 151½, in the fourth round of a scheduled ten rounder. Harry Cook, referee.

Semi-final—Lou Flyer, St. Louis, 153, won a close decision over Jules Wood, Buffalo, N. Y., 151, in eight rounds. Ray Palmer, referee.

Prelims—Art Cooper, St. Louis, 135, clowned and punched out a decision over George Johnson, New York, 139, in six rounds. Ray Palmer, referee. Fred Latson, St. Louis, 130½, decisioned Billy Reed, Indianapolis, 134½, in six rounds. Benny Kessler, referee. Jimmy Bull, St. Louis, 163, knocked out Tom Brown, St. Louis, 164, in the first round. Bob Ingham, referee.

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WEST VIRGINIA NOTES

By MICKEY DAVIES

RADIO CENTER ARENA in Huntington was the scene of the second meeting between Charlie Banks, Chicago light-heavy, and Mose Brown, local middleweight aspirant. Banks was the winner by virtue of TKO, when Brown failed to answer the bell for the fifth stanza. Mose seemed to have things his own way, until the fourth round when he was tagged by a looping right hand, that dumped him for a nine count. Despite the fact that he was bleeding from cuts under both eyes, there was no indication that Brown would fail to answer the gong for round five. However, Referee John Rowsey, and Brown's handlers, seemed to think the cuts too serious to allow the Huntington boy to continue.

Jimmy Howard, Logan, W. Va., heavyweight, outscored Arthur Brownie, Cincinnati, in the six round semi-final. This was a close contest, with Howard having just a little edge at the completion of six stanzas.

A scorching preliminary featured Jimmy Motley, 137, and Sterling Willey, 133, both local scrappers. Motley kayoed Willey in one minute and 33 seconds of the fourth frame. Larry Janke, 145, Cincinnati, who never fails to please, knocked out Baby Banks, Pittsburgh, 140, in the fourth chapter of a slated six round affair.

The six round curtain raiser provided plenty of thrills, with Jack Moody, Chicago welter, and Charlie Morris, Cincinnati 145 pounder, fighting to a standstill.

Attendance was very good.

Rip Windbush, an old time heavyweight, reports that he has a good prospect in young "Snooks" Hayden, Charleston, W. Va., light-heavy.

Harry W. Lutz will promote shows in Wheeling, West Virginia. Harry can be reached at Royal Bar, Market St., Wheeling. W. Va.

The Huntington *Advertiser* Golden Glove tourney ended on February 26, with champions being crowned both in the novice and open classes. The 7th Avenue Gym was awarded the Dunhill trophy, for having the outstanding team.

Tommy Saunders, Fairmont W. Va., welter, who captured the 147 pound title in the Gloves here, will turn pro very soon. Tommy is a great looking prospect. . . . Mountain State pugilists who were awarded the Purple Heart in the big fight were, Jimmy Smith, Homer Hager (2), Moon Mullins, and Billy Frazier.

Fats Whitney, a great little trainer in his day, is now employed by the U.S. Army engineers. . . . The latest additions to the Davies-Pogue-Sheppard combine are, Harry "Baby" Banks, Pittsburgh junior welter, and Jack Moody, Chicago welter.

Jack Kearns, now an invalid, was a recent visitor at the Golden Gloves tourney in Huntington. Jack held the heavyweight championship of the Mountain State a few years back. . . . James (Gunboat) Davis, crack middleweight from Charleston, since his discharge from the service, has been boxing out of Pawtucket, R. I. . . . Pat Scanlon is grooming his welterweight, Charlie Cox, for big things. Charlie is an ex-sailor. . . . Huntington, Beckley, Wheeling, Williamson, and Logan are running pro clubs. Would appreciate notes from other sections of the state, particularly from the above named cities.

Bob LaLallance and Johnny Bates were the third men in the ring, during the Golden Gloves event. Both boys did a bang up job, incidentally. . . . Jimmy Motley, lightweight, Dick Carter, feather, and Joey Haywood, welter, are all students at West Virginia State College. . . . Dick (Tipper) Pogue, as always, made the trip to New York with the amateurs. Dick took time out while there to do a little shopping, and came home loaded down with new equipment for his gymnasium. . . . Harry Rose, a good little lightweight, may attempt a comeback. Rose in his last start beat Eddie Hines. . . . Jack Sheppard may hook up with a Cincinnati club as matchmaker.

BETWEEN ROUNDS — Harry Banks, Pittsburgh lightweight, is now being handled by your writer. . . . Kid Martin is back in the gym and looking for work. The Kid hails from Beckley. . . . Roy Lee Harmon will promote shows in Beckley, W. Va. . . . One of the best drawing cards in this section is light-heavyweight Charlie Banks. . . . Speed Laymon reports that he has a lightweight find in Pinky Purnell. . . . Carrying 180 pounds, and looking in the "pink," Louis (Kid) Cook returned to the Mountain State, after doing a cruise in the Seabees. . . . Cook is one of the very few fighters ever to have Billy Conn on the deck . . . Billy Pappas is now boxing out of Reading, Pa. . . . George Hairston was stopped by Artie Cooper in St. Louis.

Cloutin' Charlie Banks, Chicago light-heavy, made his fourth appearance in a Huntington ring, on March 4th, and came through with a six round kayo over Gene Simmons, of Indianapolis. A sizzling right uppercut tossed by Banks after one minute and 22 seconds of the sixth frame, spelled curtains for Simmons.

The semi-windup proved to be a dud, Larry Janke, Cincinnati welter, who usually gives a good account of himself, and Jack Moody of Chicago, pulled and tugged to a six round draw. This was by far the worst fight of the evening.

Art Brownie, 178, Cincinnati, pounded out a TKO over Billy Weeks, Huntington heavy, in another six stanza affair. Weeks was giving the Cincinnati warrior a hard tussle, until he suffered a very bad cut under his right optic, causing the referee to halt the bout. Jimmy Motley, State College lightweight, added to his prestige by outpunching tough "Baby" Banks, Pittsburgh, in the third six rounder.

Ralph Rogers, crack local bantamweight, won the duke over Mickey Flint, diminutive Cincinnati puncher, in the four round opener.

The show was staged at Radio Center Arena, Huntington, under the direction of Dick Deutsch and Dick Pogue. Attendance was very good.

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N.Y. Irish go Haywire over Brady

THE Irish around New York are going haywire over one of their clan, a youngster, Dennis Patrick Brady, a kid from the Bronx who has all the earmarks of a good fighter. Pat, a featherweight, has had eleven contests to date of which ten have been won via the knockout route and in each he has displayed a brand of fighting that marks him a "comer." Brady is fast and carries a powerful sock. He also has what is generally known as the "killer instinct." Every time he has an opponent in distress, Pat unleashes an attack that settles the issue.

Brady is trained by his dad, the coach of the St. Anselm's Club in The Bronx and is also managed by his father. With the aid of his pop he has learned how to block punches with his gloves in a manner that is a reminder of the days of Benny Leonard. His only fault seems to be over-confidence. Like most Irish lads, he is cocky and he'll have to drop that if he hopes to reach the heights.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.
By JIM ECHOLS

BEFORE a slim crowd of 1050 persons, due to rainy weather, the fistic combine of Turner and Menendez presented an all-star action packed club card.

In one of three eights, Jimmy McGriff, 142, Washington, won over Domingo Russell, 145, New York City, in a fast bout. Both lads worked at a terrific pace with McGriff fading during the sixth and seventh stanzas, only to close fast, with Russell practically out on his feet.

Kid Alexander, 127, Washington, in his first start after 39 months of Army service, upset the highly-touted Chico Morales, 123½, Cuba, in a good eight-rounder. Alexander won a unanimous decision.

The third eight saw Eddie Kane, 151, Washington, losing to Georgie Williams, 154½, Baltimore. Kane was at a loss against the awkward, wild-swinging style of Williams. Williams faded in the closing rounds but his lead was too great for Eddie to overcome.

Two six-round prelims completed the card. Herbie Jones, 130, Washington, decisioned Leslie Harris, 136½, Baltimore, in a good bout, avenging a previous loss to Harris. Leslie was floored in the fifth for an eight-count.

Charlie Gilliam, 154½, Baltimore, defeated Arthur Bethea, 151½, Washington.

In an action-packed rematch bout, Bee Bee Washington and Jimmy Mandell fought ten furious rounds to a torrid draw at Turner's Arena before a sellout gathering. Washington, the pre-bout favorite, was anxious to repeat his previous victory over Mandell and consequently he was forever on the move. He showed plenty of aggressiveness throughout the ten rounds. Mandell was always ready for the oncoming Washington and met him with a variety of blows. There were no knockdowns but several times each boy was staggered.

Referee Eddie La Fond voted for Bee Bee, while Judge O. U. Singer liked Jimmy. Dr. J. E. Trigg, the other judge, voted a draw. Washington tipped the beam at 163, to Mandell's 160.

The prelims were all good but the standout was a five-round substitute bout between Don Lemos, 145, Los Angeles, and youthful Artie Brown, 142, Washington. It was a slashing contest that ended in a well-received draw. In a brace of sixes, Eddie Kane, 152, Washington, decisioned Joe Murphy, 144, Harrisburg, Pa., and Vernon Brown, 122, Baltimore, kayoed Warren Dean, 121½, Richmond, in 2:08 of the third. Two fours completed the card. Al Spalding, 178, Baltimore, defeated the popular Red Jeter, 171, Washington, and Ernie Pope, 175, Washington, stopped Jesse James, 170½, Washington, in 2:00 of the second. The whole card was excellent, grossing $5964.87.

In a dull and listless ten round main event at Ulines Arena, Aaron Perry copped a split decision over Fritzie Zivic of Pittsburgh.

A crowd of 6000 contributed to a near record indoor gate of $16,700. The truth of the matter was that Zivic made Perry fight the type of fight best suited for the veteran Pittsburgher, and as a result the fans weren't too highly pleased.

The aging Zivic fought in spurts and clinched a good deal. There were several good rounds, notably the sixth and eighth.

Perry's eye was cut in the second round and at the end of the bout it was nearly closed. Perry came in at 151, Zivic 150.

The semi-windup, a sixer, saw Major Jones, 145, Kansas City, win over Billy Terry, 140, Washington. Both boys tired toward the end. In the closing seconds of the second heat, Jones dumped Terry through the ropes onto the apron at the bell.

Harry Preston, 150, New York City, fought a draw with Arthur Bethea, 148½, Washington, in another six.

In the best bout of the entire card, Joe O'Connell, 179, Baltimore, won via the TKO route over Al Spalding, 178, Washington, in 2:07 of the fifth of a scheduled six. Spalding hammered O'Connell from pillar to post in the opening round, only to be on the receiving end from two until the finish.

The opening four saw Buddy Espina, 156, Washington, a local Golden Glover, make his pro debut an auspicious one by kayoing Bobby Van Kirk, 160, Baltimore, in 29 seconds of the second.

IN INDIANAPOLIS RINGS
By ANTHONY COPPI

INDIANAPOLIS' first step to produce major boxing bouts on a par with those held in principal Mid-western cities such as Chicago, Detroit and Pittsburgh will be on the eve of the famous 500 mile Speedway automobile race which will be resumed May 30. On that night the local promoter, Lloyd Carter, will stage a gigantic boxing program in which he will feature top ranking heavyweights. Jack Dempsey has been signed as the third man in the ring. The bout will be held at the spacious Coliseum which will seat from 12,000 to 13,000 for a boxing program. Lee Savold, Tami Mauriello and Lee Oma are being considered as opponents for Willard Reed.

Bob Garner, hard hitting Louisville light-heavyweight, won a close split decision over Charlie Banks, Chicago puncher, at the local Armory. The Kentuckian was outclassed in the first two heats as Banks displayed a clever style that baffled the Louisville slugger, but he connected with a hard right at the bell ending the third session and Banks was dragged to his corner. Garner scored with another terrific right to floor Banks for a nine count in the next round. From that point, however, the classy Chicago mauler rallied and was coming strong at the finish.

In a scheduled five-rounder Milton Bess, Indianapolis, stopped welterweight Willie Lockett, Chicago, after 1:50 of the first canto, with a hard right to the jaw. Johnny Crane, Chicago welterweight, slugged it out with Pedro Carsonia, Indianapolis, to take the six round semi-windup by a close margin.

Ernie Derho, Mishawaka welter, was given the nod over Al Jackson, Chicago, after five rounds of close milling. The four round opener was won by Bobby Marshall, Cincinnati welter, by decision over Mickey Wilson, Chicago.

Bob Simpson, local collegiate amateur and pre-medical student, who was inducted into the Navy in September, 1944, is now stationed at a USN Corps school in San Diego, Calif., where he is serving as boxing instructor.

A capacity crowd packed the local Armory to witness the return of Willard Reed, popular local heavyweight, when he met Lou Campbell, Chicago, in a scheduled ten-round bout. Reed kayoed his Windy City opponent with little difficulty after 1:08 of the second round with a hard right hand punch.

A bout between Milton Bess, local welter, and Joe Richards, Chicago, ended in no contest after Referee Jackie Purvis declared that Richards went down without being hit in the first round.

The best skirmish of the evening resulted in a six-round draw between Ernie Derho, Mishawaka and Al Jackson, Chicago welter, after a hammer-and-tongs battle. Derho was leading on points in the final heat when Jackson scored a clean cut knockdown to even matters.

In other bouts, Bob Beamon, local lightweight, decisioned Mickey Wilson, Chicago, after four rounds, and Bob Caine, Indianapolis, won by a TKO in the third round over Johnny Poore, also local.

Buddy Maxwell, local welterweight, recently discharged, who received the Purple Heart as a result of injuries received at the Anzio beachhead along with other military decorations, suffered second degree burns about the head, face and hands when a toy balloon filled with illuminating gas, was ignited by a cigar in an automobile. Maxwell, operator of an eating establishment has had two bouts since his discharge from the army. He was a former Golden Gloves champion and served with the 45th infantry division in Italy.

Milton Bess, son of "One-round" Bess, local fight mentor, has been discharged and has resumed his ring career by scoring two quick kayoes over Joe Richards and Willie Lockett. Bess is a former National A.A.U. lightweight champion.

Following are the champions of the annual Indianapolis *Times*-American Legion Golden Gloves tournament held here:

Heavyweight—Lee Carter, A. C. Lee Athletic Club.
175 pounds—Ursal Snapp, Camp Atterbury.
160 pounds—Weldon Phelps, Northwestern PAL Club.
147 pounds—Buster Miles, Douglas PAL Club.
135 pounds—Cpl. Henry McMinn, Camp Atterbury.
126 pounds—Sylvester Simmons, Northwestern PAL Club.
118 pounds—Rolland Tunstill, Douglas PAL Club.
112 pounds—James Cousins, Douglas PAL Club.

Correction: Last month this column incorrectly gave the address of Tom Leeper, local fight manager, in reply to a query to this column. The correct address is 528 Coffey St., Indianapolis.

Community centers in Indianapolis, which are supported by the Board of Public Parks, are featuring boxing on their daily programs. Located in convenient sections of the city, the centers are attracting many youngsters who are interested in the mitt game.

Ring Scraps — Colion Chaney, local heavy, chalked up his thirty-first ring victory by decisioning Al Hoosman, Jimmy Johnston's protege, at Washington. Hoosman was a 1 to 6 favorite. . . . Boxers in Indiana are now required to take a blood test every six months. . . . Porter Stewart is back on the active list as a fight manager. . . . James Sherron, promising local welter, is also employed as a chauffeur for the governor of Indiana, Ralph Gates. . . . Profile, a regular feature of this column (interviews with local ring dignitaries), will be resumed next month. . . . This month's mail carried several requests for photos of local boxers, sorry I don't have any. . . . This corner's address is 1325 E. Tabor St., Indianapolis 3, Indiana.

WAY UP IN NEW HAMPSHIRE
With RALPH PELOQUIN

ALTHOUGH this part of the country cannot report on any recent boxing events plans are under way and before long the fans will be treated to star-studded attractions. The City of Berlin can well be proud of manager Eddie Desilets who has piloted the best performers from this locality during World War II. Now that the boys are coming back, Mr. Desilets who has operated throughout the war under the numerous adverse conditions which are well known to all, especially to those who had to get work for their fighters at distances no less than 100 miles, will nowadays find it easier going. The boxing fans of this section greatly appreciate Eddie's contribution to the fistic world.

An up-and-coming boy is Dick Villeneuve of Berlin, N. H., who tips the scales at 144 pounds. He won his first start late last year at Portland, Maine, by knocking out Larry Tyler, a Negro boy from Worcester, Mass. Soon after his first appearance Dick won a decision over Blaine Macomber at Bangor, Maine. At Lewiston, Maine, in the early part of the year Dick made quick work of Young Cloutier of Canada by a KO in the first round and then followed the two round knockout over Kid Gagnon of Portland, Maine. Dick comes from a fighting family, being the brother of Norman and Larry Villeneuve, who are well known in boxing rings throughout northern New England. Dick's only set-back was against the veteran battler, Jimmy Cook, now of Lowell, Mass. The fight took place at Brunswick, Maine, and Cook won in the second round. Dick recently fought his first main bout and won over Ben Chisholm of Rochester, N. H., at South Berwick, Maine. Berlin's new contribution to fistiana is scheduled to box in another main bout at Waterville, Maine, soon.

Word comes from Colebrook, N. H., that boxing fans are anxious for the sport to return. At the last show held there a few years ago when Jack Sharkey made the trip from Boston to referee the bouts, the crowd was promised another card but Uncle Sam was drafting 'em fast and furious at that time and getting pugilists to this remote part of New England became out of the question.

Al Sinibaldi and Larry Villeneuve (Dick's brother), both in the U.S. Navy, are expected to be discharged soon. Al is a Chief Petty Officer (Athletic Specialist), and while in the service he copped the light-heavyweight championship of Cuba.

At this writing Al is lined up for a job on the Berlin police force, when he returns here discharged from the naval service. A recent letter from Al informs us that he's stationed at the N.A.T.T.C., Jacksonville, Fla. Prior to entering the service Al fought throughout New England and New York State having given a good account of himself every time in battles against such top notch performers as Tony Shucco, Natie Mann, Ted Lowry, Lou Brouillard, and others.

As for Larry—"The Blond Sailor" Villeneuve, a promising undefeated welterweight when he joined up, we hear from his manager, Eddie Desilets, that he's soon to be discharged from active duty. He's only 19 years old and already a veteran of almost fifty ring encounters.

Members of the Men's St. Anne's Social Club of Berlin, N. H., were in large attendance at one of their meetings at a well organized training session at the club's gymnasium. The newly-formed Boy Scout troop of the parish had many of the recruits going through their paces on the wrestling mats, and in the ring Pat Dyer, Dick Villeneuve and Jimmy Dinardo went at it with gusto to render a great version of boxing exhibition "a la professional style."

The East Side kid, Edgar Perreault of Berlin, got off to a flying start as a pro. Here are the results of his first four fights: Kayoed Dick Eagan in one round at Portland, Maine; stopped Al Burley of Dover, N. H., in the first round at Portland, Me., and repeated the same thing over Sy Sirois at Lewiston, Maine. His fourth battle was another one round affair over Cliff Cloutier at Brunswick, Maine.

Lawrence "Pat" Dyer of Berlin, N. H., recently discharged from the U.S. Army and a well-known amateur performer before entering the army. He beat Jimmy Nickelson at Brunswick, Maine, by a TKO in the fourth round and later he knocked out Tommy Nadeau of Manchester, N. H., in the fifth round at Brunswick, Maine.

Here's a call for all boxing and wrestling promoters and managers of northern New Hampshire! Send all your news and notes with date and newspaper clippings if you wish to have them published in The Ring. Address: 80 York Street, Berlin, New Hampshire. Send your stuff in before the 5th of each month. "Au Revoir." boxing and wrestling fans, and to those who wish to know where to get a copy of The Ring Magazine just drop in at any of the following places: Smoke Shop on Main Street, East Side Drug Store, and Lawrence's Cut Rate on Second Avenue.

BOXING IN MAINE
By LINDSEY L. MEADER

SILVIA GILBERT of Augusta has been issued a license to promote boxing shows in that city.

After losing only one of eighteen pro bouts, Eden Germane, of Portland, has decided to quit the ring game. At twenty-one, and a Navy veteran, he's enrolled at Deering High School, from where he hopes to go to Springfield College and earn a degree in Physical Education. He wants to get back to the ring game some day, but as instructor. Eden had a lot of ring savvy.

Al Coutoure of Lewiston expects to be discharged from the service within the month and will continue his boxing in the East. Al has met and beaten some of the best welters on the West Coast, while in the service, and should go places.

The old Manassa Mauler, Jack Dempsey, was in Portland recently to referee a wrestling match. He was also interviewed by Bud Cornish over a Portland radio station.

The Commission has made a new ruling that should protect the fans and promoters. It says that an out-of-state boxer must be on hand at least five hours before his bout. The board also adopted a new foul rule and one pertaining to protection for the main event contestants.

Ring results the past month are as follows:

At Brunswick—Bobby Pooler, 139, of Portland, defeated Al Michaud, 144, Lisbon, 10 (Maine Welterweight Championship). Norman Bennett, 144, Auburn, decisioned George McCarthy, 147, Lewiston, 6 rounds; Tommy Daley, 126, Waterville, and Chick Cloutier, 124, Brunswick, drew in 6; Henry Goupil, 118, Bath, kayoed Kid Boucher, 115, Lewiston, 4 rounds.

At Lewiston—Leo Methot, 131½, Montreal, boxed a fast eight round draw with Maine Featherweight Champion Lloyd Hudson, 132½, of Bath. In six rounders: Charley Wooster, 135½, of Frankfort, kayoed Leo Prince, 135, of Montreal, in 3; Buddy Labbe, 138, Lewiston, kayoed Bill Kenney, 137, Rumford, in 2; and George McCarthy, 144, Lewiston, drew with Babe Querion, 145, of Waterville.

Four-round preliminaries saw Blondie Eagan, 127, Bangor, decision Tom Davies, 126, Waterville, and Young Goupil, 118, Bath, win over Peewee Martin, 117, of Lewiston.

At Portland: Eddie Letourneau, 147½, Sanford, kept his winning streak intact by knocking out highly-touted Dolly King, 148, Springfield, Mass., in 3 rounds. In an 8 round co-feature, Tony Pedro, 157, Boston, decisioned Johnny Marra, 153½, Boston.

The preliminaries saw Ivan Jones, 126½, Portland, decision Tony Prince, 131, of Sherbrooke, Que., in 6; Dick Villeneuve, 145, Berlin, N. H., kayoed Jimmy Gagnon, 145, Lewiston, in 2, and Norman Bennett, 143, Auburn, outpointed George McCarthy, 144, Lewiston, in 4 heats.

At Lewiston, Al Michaud, former Maine Welterweight Champion, knocked out Duke Demers, 145, of Rumford, in the final round of an eight round feature bout.

In six rounders, Jimmy Cook, 145, Rumford, decisioned Babe Querion, 145, Waterville, and Norman Bennett, 140, Auburn, drew with Jimmy Gagnon, 138, of Lewiston. In the four round prelims, George McCarthy, 147, Lewiston, drew with Al Tanguay, 145, Lewiston, and Kid Cloutier, 122, Lewiston, won over Gil Roy, 120, Waterville.

At Bangor—Irish Johnny Williams, 132, Manchester, N. H., knocked out Leo Methot, 138, Montreal, in the fifth round. Bob Rynne, 162, Lowell, Mass., kayoed Tommy Burns, 168, Hampden, in 3; while Kayo Brown, 168, Pittsfield, won over Eddie Turner, 169, Bangor, in a six. Young Randall, 132, Bangor, stopped Billy Steeves, 133, Pittsfield, in three rounds.

The opener between Ducky Dean, 139, Bangor, and Joe Brown, 132, Bangor, was declared "no contest" by Referee Harry Dalton, who stopped the bout in the first round, claiming the boxers weren't trying.

At Portland—New England Middleweight Champion Coley Welch notched his sixth straight victory here, by winning a unanimous ten round decision over J. C. Wilkins, the New York Negro star. Welch's weight was 164, Wilkins', 164½.

The semi-final saw Jimmy Cook, 142, Portland, kayo Sparky Romano, 140, Boston, in two heats. In the preliminaries, Len Bickford, 145, Portland, won over Babe Querion, 145, Waterville, four. Frank Anderson, 163, Portland, decisioned Kid Norman, 162, Waterville, four; Gabby Paul, 133, Biddeford, kayoed Tom Daley, 134, Waterville, in one.

At Brunswick—The Blond Tiger, 132, Lowell, Mass., won a close one over Lloyd Hudson, 126, Bath, in eight; Jimmy Cook, 147, Lowell, Mass., kayoed Dick Villeneuve, 145, Berlin, N. H., in three. Pat Dyer, 149, Berlin, N. H., stopped Pete Nickerson, 154, Brunswick, in the fourth round. Edgar Perriault, 126, Berlin, N. H., knocked out Chick Cloutier, 126, Brunswick, in the first round. Dave Shade, 119½, Lewiston, decisioned Henry Goupil, 116, Bath, in four.

At Lewiston—Before the largest crowd of the season, Leo Mayo, 149, of Augusta, won a unanimous decision over Ed Letourneau, 148½, of Sanford, in an eight round main bout, here. In the six round semi-final, Norman Bennett, 142½, Auburn, drew with Babe Querion, 140, Waterville.

The four round preliminaries saw Dick Mayo, 144½, Augusta, decision Ted Ryan, 142, Lewiston; Kid Cloutier, 120½, Brunswick, win over Young Goupil, 117½, Bath, and Battling Murphy, 120, Lewiston, kayoed Gil Roy, 122, Waterville, in one.

At Lewiston—Young Ted Drew, 152, Lewiston, decisioned Maurice Cloutier, 159, Manchester, N. H., in an eight round main event.

In six rounders, Norm Bennett, 144½, Auburn, drew with Texas Kid, 147½, Portland. Jimmy Cook, 145, Portland, drew with Jimmy Gagnon, 144, Lewiston, and Ivan Jones, 123½, Portland, kayoed Battling Murphy, 121½, Lewiston, in 3.

In the scheduled four round opener, Johnny Thomas, 148, Portland, knocked out Al Tanguay, 148½, Lewiston, in 1:40 of the first round.

At Bangor—Lloyd Hudson, 138, Bath, won by a technical knockout over Johnny Campbell, 134, Brewer, in the second round of a scheduled eight. In the semi-final, Eddie Hudson, 139, Bath, drew with Buddy Labbe, 137, Lewiston, in six.

In the preliminaries, all scheduled four rounders, Dick Eagan, 129, Bangor, kayoed Bobby Wheelden, 127, Bangor, in four; Eddie Turner, 162, Bangor, knocked out Ancil Green, 159, Bangor, in two, and Rommy Rocke, 150, Bangor, won a four round decision over Young Green, 152, Bangor.

At Portland—Eddie Letourneau, 145¾, Sanford, dethroned Maine Welterweight Champion Bobby Pooler, 137½, Portland, by knocking him out in the second round of a scheduled ten round bout at the Portland Exposition Building.

Two special sixes: Ivan Jones, 124, Portland, drew with Charley Kelley, 127, Boston, and Norman Bennett, 142, Auburn, won from Len Bickford, 144, Portland.

In the four round prelims, Everett Hodgkins, 137, South Windham, kayoed Jimmy Gagnon, 135, Lewiston, in the first. Gabby Paul, 133, Biddeford, won on a technical knockout from Eddie Sands, 135, Biddeford, in two, and George Vokey, 145, Portland, decisioned Al Andrews, 146, Biddeford.

ARKANSAS AND OKLAHOMA FLASHES
By CLYDE SMITH

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.— Coaches Sam Johnson of Fort Sill Indian School and Chief Parris of the Southside Boxing Club began rounding up winners of Oklahoma's 1946 Golden Gloves titles for their trip to the Tournament of Champions in Chicago.

Glovers who won state crowns were:
112 pounds—Lindy Burgess, Riverside.
118 pounds—Charley Pebeaksy, Fort Sill.
126 pounds—James Enopia, unattached.
135 pounds—Herschel Acton, Southside.
145 pounds—Eddie Washburn, Fort Sill.
160 pounds—Virgil Goodin, Pryor.
175 pounds—Tony Calvi, Southside.
Heavy—Glover Zotigh, Downtown Boxing Club.

Hot Springs, Ark.—Hot Springs fans sampled their first professional boxing since Pearl Harbor on February 18. Terry Thompson, St. Louis, won a hard-fought ten-round decision over Eddie Lee, San Francisco, in the main event. Both are featherweights. Tommy Freeman, former welterweight champion of the world, was referee.

Henry Chuckoluck, 158, Oklahoma City, Okla., and Johnny McNair, 162, Dayton, Ohio, went six rounds in the semi-final to a draw.

Gilbert Castle, 152, Hot Springs, stopped Jack McAtee, 155, Bauxite, Ark., in the first round.

Two other four-round bouts were between Negroes, Capt. Midnight, Jr., stopped Cay Scroggins, two. Jasper Jones, 148, stopped Kid Moore, 145, one.

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 25—Eddie Lee won over Jose Andres, Ft. Worth, Texas, in ten rounds, featherweights. Henry Chuckoluck knocked out Ted Hoxie, four. William Wyatt, 169, knocked out Young Green, 162, three, both Negroes.

Kid Young, 148, knocked out Battling Siki, 149, one, both Negroes.

Oklahoma City, Feb. 25—Professional boxing following a lapse of nearly half a year, returned to Oklahoma City and under the wing of big Babe Hunt, former heavyweight boxer, made a successful getaway. Hunt will hold two shows a month. Managers and boxers give Babe a break and build up boxing around Oklahoma. Do not try to take all the money away on the shows. Give good bouts in return. Will pay off in the future. Results of bouts:

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Dick Smith, 160, Oklahoma City, won a six-round decision over Joey Martinez, 162, Wichita, Kans.

Jake Stephens, Oklahoma City, decisioned Billy Deeg, Corpus Christi; in an eight-round semi-final event, a middleweight bout.

In the four round preliminaries:

"Irish" Mickey Travis, Oklahoma City, took only 44 seconds to kayo Cecil Kickapoo and Bill Shockley decisioned Leon Yost, Bob Zieman knocked out Tony York, Lindsey, Okla., two.

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JABS FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By FELIPE J. C. GALANG

THE return of boxing in the Philippines since the liberation has caused a tremendous new interest among the boxing fans. An open-air stadium, known as Manila Square Garden, has been built in one of the badly ruined blocks of Manila by one of the City Council, Vicente Cruz. Ralph Cuyugan, the former manager of Little Dado, the former world flyweight champion, staged a show and called it "novice night."

Boy Brooks, the local middleweight champion, bested Nicky Wan and in return was beaten by Flashy Sebastian, a Filipino G.I. Tommy Campbell, a G.I. Negro, defeated Johnny Cinto, a second-rater among the welters. Campbell was the idol of the Filipinos until he met Flashy Sebastian, who knocked him out in the third canto. Bobby Mann, another G.I. welter, defeated Speed Navarro and Johnny Cinto, and in return was decisioned by our B. de Guzman, the former kingpin of the lightweights. Clever Ciano, the Bataan Fisherman, drew with Johnny Cinto in Balanga Stadium, the only stadium in Bataan Province. Ciano won over Joe Gomez, a G.I., by the short route in the third round.

Star Misamis, the logical title holder of the welters, is now a captain in the Philippine army. A titular bout between Flashy Sebastian and Star Misamis is expected. Speed Cabanela, lightweight sensation, is back from his tour from the Visayan Islands with Dommy Reyes, the former flyweight champ, and Gon Ladrazo, a bantam sensation, who knocked out Kid Bascones and defeated Little Paras, the featherweight champion, in non-titular bouts. Cabanela bested King Tut.

Jackie Jurich, former world champion, defeated Tirso del Rosario, a former amateur champion, and now a bantam contender. Tirso defeated Little Paras in a non-titular bout. Little Ibanez drew with Tirso del Rosario and defeated Little Nene, the former flyweight champion of Baguio.

Young Domaguilar is now recognized as the flyweight king. He defeated PCC Boy in their titular bout. The fighters of 1945 were: Flashy Sebastian, welterweight; Speed Cabanela, lightweight; Tirso del Rosario, featherweight; Little Ibanez, bantamweight, and Young Domaguilar among the flyweights.

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By J. JIMMIE AMANN

It took 28 minutes and 14 seconds for the buzz bomb fists of Willie Russell, Columbus, O., lightweight, to go off on the night of February 27, but when it did, and the dust cleared away, Tony Rios, San Antonio, Texas, and Mexico southpaw, was sitting on the floor and counted out. The match was presented at Music Hall by Leonard Shallat and Harry Hartman. In the tenth, knowing that a decision finish would get the vote, heavyweight socking Willie dashed for Rios with a stream of leather like an Ohio river flood.

In the supporting bouts Murray "Sugar" Cain, with the finesse of Benny Leonard, Joe Gans and Abe Attell roped together, outsounded and outfought Tiger Wills, good Columbus lightweight, in the eight round semi-final. Cain caused quite a stir when he jitterbugged his time away during rest period. He was in and out. Jack Daener of Zanesville, O., is handling Cain.

Jackie O'Cohen boxed a draw with Freddie Tebbs in four rounds. Bob Shewmaker looked good in winning a three round TKO over Pinkie Lester. Sam Burch drew with Harry Hart in four and Bud Brandt scored in four over Jack Evans. The show drew a gross of $3918.40 with paid attendance at 1910.

Three thousand, nine hundred and sixty-four paid admissions of $8513.70 gross and a net payoff of $6651.33, at the Becker Brothers' promotion on the night of February 4, at Music Hall, which had George Sugar Costner, Cincinnati's great welterweight belter, in there with Florida champion, Jack Larrimore, of Camp Blanding. The crowd had hardly got settled when the sweet boy cracked Larrimore a couple whacks on the jaw and out went the southerner like a light.

In the supporting bouts on this card, Pat Iacobucci continued his winning ways, scoring in the third with a kayo over Columbus White in a featherweight tilt; Tom Woodward, Columbus light-heavy, looked mighty neat in winning from Gib Jones, Cincinnati, in eight sessions while in the opener Johnny Goode was held to a draw by Oliver Cobbins.

It was out of town night for Cincinnati fighters on February 18. At Marigold Gardens, Chicago, Bob Nichols, Cincinnati welterweight, held Johnny Roszina of Milwaukee to a draw in the eight round topper; Gib Jones, Cincinnati light-heavyweight, knocked out Mel Workman, South Bend, in the second round and made it for keeps by knocking him clear out of the ring. Bud Kelly, Cincinnati, beat Joe Rickard, Chicago, in four; Cappy Benton, Cincinnati, beat Vidal Gayton, Mexico, in four, while Tommy Campbell, Rock Island, scored a kayo in one over Whitman Burress, Cincinnati.

Around Fountain Square with the Fighters and Their Pilots—Less Huffman, veteran Columbus fight pilot, has one of the busiest stables in the country. . . . Franky Canzoneri, returned New York manager from the armed services, is slowly breaking the Broadway ice and you can look for some heat shortly from the Canzy domain. . . . Lee Hammond, Dayton, O., promoter, is back in the running. . . . The Eddie Johnson cafe on upper Vine Street is the meeting place for the fight elite. . . . Pete (Bat) Leno, good welter of yesterday, is tending bar for the popular Eddie. . . . Hats off to George Murphy and the Cincinnati Boxing Commission for the fine job they are doing in bringing the game back to Cincinnati. George's tireless efforts are behind every program. . . . My monthly fight flashes service at one dollar per year still continues to go over with the latest subscriber being Frank Mitchell, St. Louis manager. . . . Those interested in fight flashes, send your order to Jimmie Amann, 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio. . . . This address available also for fighters unattached and managers of good fighters who want to show in this section. . . . Chris Cline, former Dayton, O., promoter and manager, is now making his home in the Queen City and look for Chris to spring with a good prospect shortly. . . . Mike Mantia is promoting in Dayton.

Ezzard Charles, Cincinnati's returned light-heavyweight challenger, had little more than a workout in his first match in Cincinnati on the night of February 18 at Music Hall. Charles slapped Al Sheridan, Indianapolis, all around the ring for one round, had him on the floor, saved by the bell in heat one and then went on to knock out the Hoosier in round two. The show drew a gross of $7430.36 with 3545 paid admissions. Willie Purcell and Pat Daly had the referee assignments.

In the prelims, Lloyd Gibson, Cincinnati light-heavyweight, knocked out Billy Shaw, Dayton, O., in six; Sgt. Dick Cook, Camp Atterbury, won from Johnny Goode, Cincinnati, in eight rounds. Jimmy Wilson won from Abel Cain in six and Sam Burch beat Phil Smith in four.

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CENTRAL OHIO SWINGS AND HOOKS

By LESS HUFFMAN

IN a show at the Becker Brothers' club at Cincinnati on February 5, Jack Larrimore of Florida, billed as a Florida title holder, lasted less than one round with Sugar Ray Costner. Larrimore was floored three times and Referee Earl Butler stopped the "contest." Three thousand nine hundred and sixty-four fans paid a gross of $8513.70 to see the fiasco.

Columbus White of Lima folded up before the attack of Pat Iacobucci, Cincinnati featherweight, in the third round.

Gib Jones, Cincinnati heavyweight, lost a close and good scrap to Tommy Woodward of Columbus in eight rounds.

Johnny Goode, Cincinnati lightweight, fought a draw of six rounds with Ollie Cobbins, of Cincinnati.

King Karl Simmons of Cincinnati was kayoed by Jackie Hart of Delaware, Ohio, in two.

The best looking amateur fighter in this year's Golden Gloves at Columbus, was a red headed Italian, Nick Fierelo, a heavyweight, scaling 210 pounds.

Tommy Jones of Columbus, Ohio, is planning on promoting some boxing shows in Delaware, Ohio. Jones has a good looking lightweight in Harry Hart.

The 20th Century Sporting Club gymnasium which is the only gymnasium in Columbus, will move from its quarters on 7½ Town St. to 150 South Third St. All mail addressed to the gymnasium should be sent to P.O. Box 211, Sta. G, Columbus, Ohio.

Red Tope and Mr. Harvey had some good lads in the amateur tournament this year.

Pat Lisle, former local heavyweight who hung them up for the duration, is now back in the gymnasium and is getting ready for his comeback.

Pat Riley, a good looking Irishman who was with the Marines, is turning his efforts to boxing. Riley scales 175 and is only twenty years old.

The quality A.C. Club, which promotes all the wrestling in this part of the country, has been packing them in and turning them away every Thursday night in Columbus for the past six weeks.

Fritzie Zivic has been in Columbus making connections for wrestlers to show in Pittsburgh, Pa. Fritzie is planning on promoting shows every week at the Aragon Gardens.

Herb Simmons, who is on the Lima City police force, has promoted three semi-pro boxing shows.

Leonard Shallat, Cincinnati promoter, has a hard time getting New York boys to fight Willie Russell.

Willy Gillon, Pittsburgh's flashy featherweight, ran onto a surprise in Dick Lewis of Dayton, Ohio, when they met at Pittsburgh. Gillon, who was favored in the betting, was very lucky to get the duke after six hectic rounds.

Jackie Taylor, well known local featherweight who met some of the best in his weight before going into the service three years ago, is back in the States. He has taken on considerable weight. Taylor plans to campaign in the welterweights now and will go into training after taking a few weeks of much needed rest.

Lee Hammond, veteran Dayton, Ohio, fight promoter, has decided to take another chance at the beak busting business and is planning to stage two indoor shows and then take his promotions outdoors.

Charley Banks showed that it was no accident when he gave Mose Brown, the Huntington middleweight, a neat lacing several weeks ago. They were re-matched and Banks gave Mose the same dose.

Mike Mantia started the fight game off on the right foot on February 20 when he topped his show with Bobby McIntire of Detroit and Gene Spencer of Chicago. After the fight the referee held up McIntire's hand, then after a few minutes, changed his mind and called it a draw.

The semi-final between Harry Hart, a newcomer in this part of the country, and Stan Cieslik of Detroit, was a red-hot scrap, and Hart was given the nod after six rounds.

Tiger Wills, Columbus, and Eddie Brant, Dayton, Ohio, lightweights, put on a real alley scrap, in which most of the fans thought Wills won but the judges thought differently. It was called a draw.

Larry Jenke, Cincinnati, and Lynn Nelson, Detroit, also fought a draw. Roy Lewis, Muncie, Indiana, was given the nod over Johnny Varcey of Detroit in six.

The opener, a four rounder, ended in the fourth when Eddie Miller of Dayton put the kayo punch on Pepper Morris of Cincinnati. They are middleweights.

John Villela of Mansfield, Ohio, is the newest promoter to get into action. John used to be prominent in the promotional game until he went into the army three years ago. He is planning on using Willie Russell, the Columbus Clouter, on his first show.

Rudy Zadell, Akron, Ohio's, best young fighter, was held to a draw by Dick Czerniak of Milwaukee, in six fast heats. A low blow by Zadell lost him a round and gave Dick enough points to pull up even on a show promoted by Tony Stecher at Minneapolis, which was topped by Tiny Lee and Bill McClure, heavyweights. Lee won via the KO route in the second round.

Rudy Zadell copped the duke over Mike Martyk of Ontario in a six rounder at Buffalo.

Pat Riley, a red headed Irishman, who has just been released by the Marines after seeing action in about every island in the Pacific, is training at the 20th Century gymnasium. He scales 185 pounds and is being handled by the writer.

Sugar Cain who made all the lightweights go at top speed in Europe, is getting ready to join the pro ranks in Ohio.

Johnny Hanison and Bob Heath, co-promoters, finally hit the jack pot in the Tippy Larkin vs. Solly Stewart show in which Stewart bit the dust in 1:55 of the third round. Larkin had entirely too much of what it takes for Solly who was down for the count of 6-3-5 before being stopped.

The semi-final was far the best bout. In it Chatmon was given the duke over Glass in eight rounds. Chet Martin, Akron, Ohio, stopped Irish Ray Miller of Spencer, W. Va., in the third round. Clarence Jones, Buffalo heavyweight, stopped Babe Denning of Cleveland in the third heat. Dave Marsh, Akron lightweight, gained the nod over Bobby Root of Cleveland, and Lonnie Durrah, 178, Cleveland, beat Benny Bartle of Pittsburgh, 177.

Bruff Cleary of Fort Wayne, Indiana, signed contracts with the writer for Harry Hart to meet some good lightweight sometime the latter part of May. He plans on staging shows every two weeks in the Armory and in his outdoor arena during the summer.

Billy Roberts, a good looking lightweight, who has been fighting around Florida, is in this part of the country and can be booked through the writer.

CANADIAN MARITIME NEWS

By C. W. STEELE

RED McPHERSON, New Waterford middleweight, scored his ninth consecutive victory when he won by a technical knockout over Gorden "Kid" McNeil, the ring wise Halifax veteran, in the fourth round of the feature bout at the Strand Club, New Waterford.

In the supporting bouts, George Simms, New Waterford, decisioned Joe Margetti, Sydney, in three rounds. Doug Mciasic, New Waterford, decisioned Lum Putt, Sydney, in three and Mel Nearing, New Waterford, shaded Shell Drape in three rounds.

Maritime boxers are doing well in other rings. Jimmy Mooney stopped Nick Restiano in the first at Worcester, Mass. Nick Melnick belted out Jesse Johnstone in round one at St. Paul, Minn. Joe Pyle hung a K.O. on Lorenzo Gill at Montreal. Ace McClusky decisioned Joey King in New York. Tommy Spencer stopped Terry Young in the tenth and final round at Keene, N. H. Up to date the above results are the latest received. The only Maritime fighter to lose was Bert Cormier, New Waterford, who was shaded in six rounds by Larry Sloan at Montreal.

Commander J. N. Millar presented an all service boxing and wrestling show at the Sydney Lyceum with the proceeds in aid of the Sea Cadets. In the feature bout, Gordon Grayson, heavyweight champion of the Navy decisioned Jack Eaton, R.C.N., who had won his last fourteen bouts previous to meeting Grayson.

The wrestling match between Wild Bill Reno, Brooklyn, N. Y., 206 pounds, and Red Timmons, Halifax, 198 pounds, pleased the capacity house. Reno forced Timmons to the mat for the first fall in twenty minutes. Timmons came back to take the second fall in twelve minutes at the end of the regulation time. Both had a fall apiece to their credit and went another five minutes to decide a winner. Timmons forced Reno to the mat for the deciding fall.

L.A.C. Gibson, classy Negro from Chatham, Ontario, decisioned L.S. Stacey, Toronto, in three rounds.

L.A.C. Hall got the nod over Bob Dearden, R.C.N., in three rounds.

Sea Cadet Howard Wallace won over Stewart Fontain in three rounds.

Merchant Seaman, Allie Earle, decisioned L.A.C. Conway in a crowd pleasing three round affair.

Isaac Thomas, the Pictou featherweight, is back from over there, will in the future be handled by the writer.

Leon Perrot, Vancouver's socking sailor, who made a hit here, will fight under the direction of Abe Elkin, capable New York manager.

All letters will be answered providing return postage is enclosed. The writer's address: 59 Charlotte St., Sydney, N. S.

WESTERN NEW ENGLAND

By GEORGE ROSS

UNDER the capable matchmaking of Joe De Maria, the Valley Arena of Holyoke, Mass. has had a dozen sellouts so far this season. Kid Chicken, George Henry, St. Paul, Jerry Fiorello, Johnny Finazzo, Frankie Wills, Ellis Stewart, these are the names that packed them in.

Sammy Sawyer, a young welterweight, recently out of the U.S. Navy, has joined the writer's stable, and is fighting regularly in Bennington, Vt., and Holyoke and Southbridge, Mass.

Redcap Cooper, Springfield, Mass., lightweight keeps busy.

Eddie Beck of Providence, R. I., has a good prospect in Eddie (Nonny) Soares, with seven wins since turning pro, this boy carries dynamite in both fists.

New England has become the heart of boxing with over twenty professional boxing clubs now operating regularly. Boston has two clubs, Providence, R. I., has two, Holyoke, Southbridge, Boston, Worcester, Salem, Lawrence, Lowell, Waltham, Fall River, Mass.; Lewiston, Bangor, Brunswick, Portland, Maine; Barre, Burlington, Bennington, Rutland, Vt.; Hartford, New Haven, New London, New Britain, Conn., all are drawing good crowds.

Nick Stato of Springfield, Mass., doing much of his fighting in Hartford, Conn., is going great guns. Bill Gore is his trainer. Nick is improving with every fight. Walter McCormick was the man to develop his right hand punch.

George Sheppard is back after a vacation in Florida, with his partner, Al Caroly. They will operate at the West Springfield Dog Track this summer. George has packed the New Haven Arena with bangup fights this winter, with Nathan Mann as his star card, he has had big gatherings at all his shows.

Jimmy DeForest, matchmaker of the Southbridge, Mass., club, would like to hear from boxing managers nearby. He will get your mail by addressing him, Jimmy DeForest, Grafton, Mass.

Dr. St. Germaine has a stable of fighters including Rollie Renaud, Bobby Pryor and Ritz Salois.

The building which was occupied by the Fairmount Gym, has been sold, and the Gym will have to find new quarters.

There will be a new boxing club in Thompsonville, Conn., this summer, with a couple of veterans promoting.

RING NEWS FROM HAWAII

By TED YAMACHIKA

THE Scarlet Pimpernal, masked wonder, who remains undefeated in half a dozen matches, has become the greatest drawing card in local wrestling. A marvelous grappler, who can rough it up or wrestle scientifically, whichever way his opponent wants it, the hooded one has defeated such outstanding local greats as Kaimon Kudo, Ben Pilar, Bucky O'Neill and Joe Mitchell.

The masked one, whose identity will not be made known until he loses a match and is unmasked, is a veteran of the ring and it is said that he has lost only once in a thousand matches. Prior to his trip to Honolulu, he won 16 straight bouts at the Hollywood Legion.

Another mat star who is on the undefeated list is Bobby Nelson, sensational Nebraskan grappler. Known as the Clipper Boy, because he was the first wrestler to be imported here by air, the blond giant has had about seven bouts to date and includes among his victims Vilai S'ua, Joe Mitchell, and the Hawaiian junior heavyweight title holder, Jimmy Gonsalves.

At present Bobby is a little too heavy to get a title match for the 185-pound crown, but he claims he can really get below the required poundage if he were given a little time. And Champion Jimmy Gonsalves is willing to accommodate all comers, provided they come under the 185-pound limit. This title match may materialize pretty soon.

A recent visitor at the local Civic Auditorium was Wladek Zbyszko, one of the greatest wrestlers the world has ever known. The great Pole has been wrestling throughout the world for the last two decades and has held the heavyweight title three different times. A real gentleman and a scholar, he studied law at the University of Vienna and speaks 13 languages fluently. His home is in Missouri, where he has a farm and raises purebred cattle.

Wrestling Promoter Al Karasick is trying to bring Billy Venable to the Islands. Billy showed here a few years ago against Whitey Walberg, Tony Bommerito and others and proved himself very popular with the fans.

Here are boxing results from Hawaii:

David Kui Kong Young, once a ranking bantamweight, returned to the ring wars by knocking out Lefty Quicho, up and coming Filipino southpaw, at the Civic Auditorium on December 23, before a gathering of 6000 fans. The gate receipts amounted to $8,943.50. This was David's first fight since his discharge from the Navy and in view of his more than two years of inactivity, his showing was impressive. He has lost none of his punching power and very little of his speed, and he'll be right back up there with a few more fights under his belt. David weighed 120½ pounds for this fight, while Quicho's ring weight was 125¼ pounds.

Other results: Peter Pouthis won over Sandy McPherson, four rounds, heavyweights; Eddie Silva pounded out a decision over Flashy Henry, four rounds, featherweights; former AAU Welterweight Champion Joe Medrano lost to Tony Galeote via decision, four rounds; and featherweights Eddie Reyes and Tiger Rosa fought to a four-round draw.

Promoter Leo Leavitt's January 13 fight card at the Civic Auditorium drew $6,171.25. On this show, Dado Marino, foremost flyweight contender for the world's title, headlined the card against Jose Onacanim, former AAU champion. Starting off at a fast clip, Dado copped the first two rounds rather easily and finally put on the finisher in the third with a short left hook to the jaw. Jose Onacanim was simply outclassed and there was no doubt as to who was the better man.

This was Dado's second fight since his discharge from the Army a few months ago.

Other results: Johnny Perry knocked out Jerry Afiasolo in the second round of a scheduled four-round bout, featherweights; Ankie Hoshijo scored a T.K.O. over Johnny Ropedo in the second round, bantamweights; Eddie Mara needed but one round to chill Clarence Garrett, welterweights; Tiger Rosa decisioned Eddie Reyes, four rounds, featherweights; and Fred Silvano copped a close decision over Al Ganigan in five heats, featherweights.

The thrice postponed (because of rain) outdoor show headlined by lightweights Yasu Yasutake and Billy James, was finally put on February 9 at the Honolulu Stadium. The fights grossed $18,006.25.

Billy James again copped the decision after eight listless rounds in which neither fighter did any serious damage. When these two met more than six months ago they put on one of the most sensational fights seen in a Honolulu ring.

Billy James weighed 133⅞ pounds to Yasu Yasutake's 132½ pounds.

Other results: Willard Hauseman knocked out Eddie Mara in the first round of a five-heat affair, welterweights; Joe Medrano, 147, decisioned Tony Galente, 147, five rounds; Tiger Rosa, 116½, lost to Johnny Perry, 122½, five rounds; Bill Caesar, 131½, fought Mariano Canales, 139½, to a draw, four rounds; and Bill Candido, 129¾, outpunched Jimmy Joseph, 131⅛, four rounds.

AT THE CENTURY A.C. OF BALTIMORE

By DAVE KREUTER

JIMMY BIVINS, 186½, of Cleveland, knocked out Yancey Henry, 190¼, of Washington, D. C., in the final round of a ten-round go in one of the most unusual finishes this writer has ever seen. Before the ninth round, the fight was rather dull, with Bivins dominating almost all the action, except for occasional spurts by Henry. But in the ninth the fireworks began. After sending his heavier opponent to the canvas for a count of nine in the early part of the round, Bivins again sailed into Henry with a barrage of rights and lefts. Henry again took the count and appeared out for good this time, but the bell rang in the nick of time. Henry's seconds worked feverishly to revive him and accomplished this just as the bell sounded for round ten.

Referee Ed Brockman walked over to Henry's corner and started to count. The Washington boy seemed to be taking advantage of the count to rest, but as he was about to rise to continue with the fight, his manager grabbed hold of his shoulders and held him down till he was counted out.

Tommy Merrill, 155, of Camden, N. J., made short work of Jesse Lang, 151¼, of Baltimore, in their six-round encounter. The fight was stopped in the second and Merrill was awarded the victory by a T.K.O.

In the other sixes, Charley Gillen, 150, won a unanimous decision from Flattop Cummings, 148, and Joe Evans, 161¾, won from Chappie Manning by the same method.

In fours, Mike Yukas, 135, got off the floor in the first to come on in the second and knock out John Cunningham, 134¾, while Johnny Longo won a split decision from Davey Evans.

A crowd of 3861 paid $12,073.25 to watch the evening's proceedings.

Freddie Russo, 133¾, of Rahway, N. J., evened up the score with Frankie Carto, 131½, of Philadelphia, by winning a unanimous decision over the ten-round route. Carto, who had won their first fight here a little over a month ago, seemed to have the better of the infighting throughout the entire match, but he wasn't quite able to stave off the steady jabbing and better boxing skill of his opponent.

All three officials saw the fight in almost the same manner. Judges Brockman and Portney voted 6-3-1 and 5-3-2, respectively, while Referee Eddie Leonard gave Russo 6, Carto 2, and called 2 even.

In the best preliminary of the evening, Charley Milan, 139½, knocked out Bobby Lee, 138¾, in one minute of the fourth heat of a six-round go. Both are local boys.

In the other six-round affair, Bob Hart, 154, of Philadelphia, pounded out a unanimous decision over Don Ellis, 154½, of Washington, D. C.

In fours: Melvin Wade and Terry Moore made short work of their respective opponents, the former knocking out Jim Brewer in 1:50 of the first round while the latter won by a T.K.O. in the same time over Paul Watson. Leo Stoll won a unanimous decision over Joe Green.

Deacon Johnny Brown, 168¾, of this city, won a disputed decision over Georgie Kochan, 170, Akron, Ohio, in their ten-round go. Two officials agreed that Brown was the victor while the third saw Kochan on top.

Kochan just wasn't himself as he missed consistently with roundhouse rights and lefts. Brown fought a clean, hard fight, and though most of the ringside spectators didn't agree with the official tabulation, he was fully deserving of the victory.

The local boy was the aggressor for the first three rounds, but after that, until the ninth heat, the fight was strictly all Kochan's. Brown, however, came back very strong to cop the ninth and tenth by wide margins.

In the semi-windup: Charley Crump, 193, of Baltimore, lost a split decision to Gene Jones, 195, of Camden, N. J.

Frank Lacey, 157, kept his perfect record intact by scoring a KO over Sandy Mack, 154¾, in the fifth round of their six round battle.

In fours: Edsel Thomas won by a split decision over Johnny Longo, Joe Green got a unanimous nod over Walter Bantum, and Leo Stoll and Doc Gladden fought to a draw.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN

With Pinky Mitchell, Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

PROFESSIONAL boxing went on the side track during the month of February in Milwaukee due to the Golden Gloves tournament and lack of other dates available at the big Auditorium.

On February 15, Ralph Moe, matchmaker for the Indian Head A. C. at Eau Claire, came through with a dandy show that grossed $1650 while the weather man cast a 14 below zero spell.

Marion Rhoeten, state featherweight champion, and Joe Laws put on a great battle for three rounds until Laws made the mistake of jumping in with a left hook to the body that Rhoeten beat with a corking straight right to the chin and Laws went out cold. It was the wind-up, with Rhoeten weighing 132 to Laws' 128. Referee was Bill Forcier.

In the preliminaries, Ronald Taylor, 162, Milwaukee, and Johnny Miller, 161, Chicago, drew, six rounds. Howard Blyhl, 145, Minneapolis, T.K.O.'ed Don Wallenfang, 140, Milwaukee, in 2:00 of round four. Wallenfang was ahead on points at the time. Stanley Reitzner, 147, Appleton, K.O.'ed Bob Phillips, 155, Eau Claire, in 2:10 of round three. Al Jackson, 147, beat Billy Lockett, 148, Gary, in four rounds.

Johnny Coulon, former world bantamweight champion, billed as the man they could not knock off his feet when he was fighting, now cannot be lifted off his feet. Johnny gave a demonstration of his strange powers after the show. Two big men, Ralph Moe, boxing promoter, and Eddie Stumpf, manager of the Eau Claire baseball team, tried but failed. Coulon and Jack Kelly of Radio Station WEAU alternated as announcers for the show and did a good job.

Joseph Patrick "Roundy" Coughlin, most recent appointee to the boxing commission by Governor Goodland in 1945, is sports editor of the Madison *State Journal* and a raconteur of no mean ability. Roundy's column is syndicated in numerous state papers. Roundy is Big Chief of the Rounder's Club, which he organized several years ago. The club meets once a week at the Park Hotel for round table discussions and lunch. The day I dropped in on him I had to use a shoe-horn to squeeze in. He sure does that master of ceremonies thing up brown.

Answering J.J.D.—Manning Vaughn, Sports Editor of the *Sentinel*, was the first secretary of the boxing commission, in 1913. Walter Liginger, first chairman of the commission, followed him as secretary. Vaughn and Liginger have passed to the great beyond. Al Goetter, now with the Wisconsin Boxing Club, was next, followed by the incumbent, Fred Saddy.

Walter Liginger's son, Frank, always a big boxing fan, runs the sports headquarters downtown. It's called The Ticker. The late John Morgenroth's place is run by Joe Krasno and divides sports popularity with Liginger's spot. Tommy Neary's Sportsmen's Headquarters is the big spot in the south end of the city. Tommy, an old fighter, fought the best lightweights in the 20's.

The Wisconsin Golden Gloves tournament, sponsored by the Milwaukee *Journal*, reached a new peak. The finals made up the best fight card seen here in years. Boxers in both Novice and Open divisions were well matched. An orchid to Charley Nevada, tournament director, and his two able assistants, Scout Sam Levy and Coach Fred Saddy. The tournament grossed slightly under $36,000 for its four nights of entertainment.

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TIMELY CHATTER FROM GREAT BRITAIN

By JOHN S. SHARPE

FORMER British Lightweight Champion Eric Boon, who has now embarked upon the comeback trail as a welterweight, scored a fine win by defeating Jean Wanes of France in the fifth of a scheduled ten-round contest at the Seymour Hall, London.

Wanes began strongly and confidently and surprised the fans by flooring Boon in the opening round. The latter took a count of three and then went in to mix it with the Frenchman, who, although eager, couldn't cope with Boon once Eric got going.

Carrying the fight to the Frenchman, the former champion damaged Wanes' eye in the second round.

The Frenchman was warned for low punching in the third, and it was after this that Boon really came into his own. Tearing relentlessly into his opponent, he floored the Frenchman twice in the fifth round, whereupon Jean's chief second threw in the towel as a token of defeat. This was kicked out of the ring by Referee Mick Fox, who explained that this method of surrender was not allowed by British rules. The official decision was that Wanes retired in the fifth round.

Cyril Gallie, the up and coming Welsh welterweight, made a welcome return after an absence of seven months and scored a win over Jimmy Molloy of Liverpool, who was disqualified in the sixth round for an alleged low punch.

This was indeed an unfortunate ending to an interesting contest.

Gallie was ahead on points at the close, but Molloy was always in there trying, and the unhappy ending robbed him of any chance he might have had of winning.

Ben Duffy of Jarrow, appearing as a last-minute substitute for Billy Biddles of Leicester, defeated Bob Ramsay of Stepney when the latter was disqualified for an alleged low blow in the fourth of a scheduled ten-round contest.

Duffy had had far the better of the exchanges until the Stepney boy floored him twice with body blows, the second of which was adjudged low.

Jimmy Webster, the fast improving Canning Town bantamweight, made a great impression when he well outpointed the Welsh bantamweight champion, Norman Lewis, at the end of eight rounds.

Webster's win was all the more creditable, for he made a marvelous recovery after being all but knocked out in the first round.

Jimmy Davis of Bethnal Green defeated Chris Haycock of Rochdale on points in six rounds.

Joe Curran, 110¾, chief contender for Jackie Paterson's world flyweight championship, scored a good win at the Liverpool Stadium when he knocked out Charlie Kerr, 119¾, of Glasgow, in the second of a scheduled ten-round contest.

Kerr, who has twice been amateur champion of Scotland, had no chance against Curran, who was in a real fighting mood, tearing into his opponent from the first gong.

Johnny Jenkins of Glasgow outpointed Ginger Ward of Merthyr in eight rounds at the welterweight limit.

Bert Veale of Worcester won over Al Gamage of Crewe when the referee called a halt in the fifth of a scheduled eight-round contest, after Gamage had suffered severe punishment.

Lou Wilde of Worcester won over Arthur Denton of Sheffield by a technical kayo in the fifth of a scheduled eight-round contest.

Len Marsden of Salford won over Teddy Jones of Widnes by a technical kayo in the fifth of a scheduled six-round contest.

Dave Crowley, former British lightweight champion, has announced his retirement from the ring, owing to an injury that has lost him the sight of his left eye.

Crowley started boxing with the Mary Ward Boy's Club and has a distinguished record behind him since 1929.

Knocked out by Mike Belloise in New York in 1936, he returned to win the British lightweight championship from Jimmy Walsh, only to lose it to Eric Boon seven months later.

One of the most popular boxers to don the gloves, Crowley has always given value to the cash customers, and will be missed from active participation in contests.

Ronnie Clayton, 126¼, of Blackpool, won over Billy Innes, 126½, of Glasgow, former amateur featherweight champion of Scotland, by a technical kayo in the fourth of a scheduled ten-round featherweight contest.

Clayton was always ahead, and it came as no surprise when Innes retired.

Jack McKenzie of Belfast won on points over Al Hutt of Burma in eight rounds in a good fist fight. There was very little to choose between the two boys at the end, and the decision in McKenzie's favor must have been by the narrowest of margins.

Jimmy Dwyer of Liverpool won over Bob Moorcroft of Liverpool by a technical kayo in the sixth and last round.

Jerry Speers of Barrow won on points over George Green of Warrington after six fast rounds at the featherweight limit.

Teddy Peckham, the promising Bournemouth bantamweight, gained a decisive victory over Young Josephs of Cardiff in the fourth of a scheduled eight-round bout at Gloucester, when he knocked Josephs down and out with a perfectly timed left hook to the solar plexus.

Andy MacKenzie of South Shields drew with Granville Davies of West Bromwich in ten rounds.

Phil Volante of Birmingham outpointed Harry Legge of Bournemouth in eight rounds.

Jimmy White of Hull and Jimmy Williams of Cardiff gave a terrific eight-round exhibition of toe-to-toe slugging, with White receiving a narrow decision at the close.

Jack Morris of Swindon won over Ron Harris of Berkeley by a technical kayo in the fourth of a scheduled six-round contest.

Frank Meachem of London outpointed Cpl. Tommy Harlow of Canada in ten fast rounds at Bury St. Edmunds.

Teddy Larkham of Brentford outpointed John "Siki" O'Neill of Ireland in ten rounds. Eric Hall of Cambridge defeated Frank O'Connor of Ireland in eight rounds on points. Charlie Waters of Downham Market outpointed Sid Coulson, of Enfield in six rounds. Billy Barnard of Needham Market outpointed Johnny Taylor of London in six rounds. Dick Warren of Ipswich drew with Morley Nightingale of Wicken in a four-rounder.

Roy Ball, 117, of Pontypool, outpointed Teddy Peckham, 120, of Bournemouth, in ten fast and furious rounds at Kidderminster.

Peckham started the contest off with a hurricane attack, but Ball stood his ground and slowed Teddy down until he could himself take the attacking advantage.

In the last two rounds Peckham, realizing his deficit in points, made a last-minute attempt to win. Ball, however, proved more than capable of dealing with this, and ran out a good winner.

Jimmy Bryan of Gloucester defeated Johnny Bayliss of Hereford in eight rounds. Harry Legge of Bournemouth outpointed Ken Wells of Southampton in eight rounds. Dennis Williams of Hereford drew with George Edward of Gloucester in six rounds.

Jim Anderson of Waltham Cross defeated Dick Johnson of Kirkby on points in eight rounds at Peterborough.

Art Owen of Ramsey knocked out Harry O'Grady of Amersham in the fourth of a scheduled eight-round contest. Norman Twigger of Coventry defeated Jock Kennedy of Doncaster, flooring his man for three long counts before Kennedy retired during the interval between the fourth and fifth rounds.

Mick O'Grady of Aylesbury won over Ken Parker of Doncaster after six exciting rounds.

Stan Hawthorn, 136, of North Shields, stopped Wally Downes, 136¾, of Taylorstown, in the third of a scheduled ten-round contest at Blackpool. Hawthorn punched too hard and too often for Downes, who retired after taking three long counts.

Roy Kitchen of Manchester outpointed Jack McKenzie of South Shields in eight hard rounds. Alf Lunt of Liverpool won on points from Tony Martin of Warrington after six fierce rounds. Johnny Regan of Bradford knocked out Nick Carter of Guildford in the third of a scheduled eight-round contest.

Jim McLean of Edinburgh caused the referee to intervene in the fourth round of his scheduled six-round contest with Harry Allenson of Dorset when Allenson had received a very badly cut eyebrow.

Charlie Collet, 203, of Hemel Hempstead, knocked out Fred Clark, 217, of Edmonton, in the third of a scheduled eight-round contest at Hemel Hempstead.

Charlie Knock of Hanley outpointed Alf Taylor of Newcastle in eight fast rounds. George Robinson of Enfield knocked out Ernie Bird of London in the second of a scheduled ten-rounder.

Jimmy Anderson of Waltham Cross drew with Wally Potts of Crewe in six rounds. Harry O'Grady of Amersham outpointed Ken Hill of Wolverton after eight hard rounds. Alf Boreham of London won over Ken Parker of Bradwell, who was disqualified in the third of a scheduled six-round contest for an alleged low blow.

Barney McVeigh of Greenock won a narrow points decision over Jimmy Dunn of Glasgow in ten rounds at the Grove Stadium, Glasgow.

Frank Brown of Dumbarton won over Tommy Miller of Glasgow in the first of a scheduled ten-round contest, when the latter retired with a badly cut eyebrow. Eddie Carson of Glasgow knocked out Billy Moore of Clydebank in the third of a scheduled six-round contest.

Joe Linburgh of London won over Scott O'Hara of Glasgow, when the latter was disqualified in the second round for an alleged low blow.

Albert Ives, 136½, of London, defeated Hughie Smith, 142¼, Sunderland, on points in eight rounds at Kings Hall, Derby.

Bob Barlow of Heage and Dick Johnson of Kirkby drew over eight rounds.

Jack Todd of Durham had to retire with a badly cut eye in the fourth of a scheduled eight-round contest with Frank Woodcock of Nottingham. Ray Charlton of Derby retired at the end of the fifth of a scheduled eight-round contest with a badly cut eye, leaving Bob Young of Durham the winner.

Eric Hall of Milton defeated Harry Legge of Bournemouth on points in ten rounds at Ipswich.

Keith Weston of Wisbech defeated Harry Ruff of London on points in eight rounds. Joe Williams of Edmonton and Harry O'Grady of Ipswich fought eight hard rounds to a draw.

Billy Thompson of Hickleton, 136, the smart ex-amateur lightweight champion, unbeaten as a professional, scored a good win over Ben Duffy of Jarrow, 133, in eight rounds at Rotherham.

Thompson pulled ahead from the third round on, and was a good winner at the end.

George Dilks, 159, of Barnsley, outpointed Tommy Jones, 153, of Derby, and holder of the Northern Area welterweight title, in a ten-rounder.

Rugger North of South Emshall knocked out Billy Gunn of Scotland in the third of a scheduled eight-round contest. Alf Crummack of Mansvers Main defeated Henry Smart in six rounds. Les Berry of Hemsworth defeated Stan Boult of Barnsley in eight rounds on points.

Ric Sanders, 20 years old, unbeaten Leicester star, won a narrow points victory over George Marsden of Nottingham at the Cosington Street Baths, Leicester.

Don Pierce of Nottingham outpointed Frank Wall of Leicester in eight rounds. Johnny Battle of Bradford outpointed Ken Grice of Moira in an eight-rounder. Jem Mace of Leicester knocked out Trevor Cooper of Leicester in the sixth round of a scheduled eight. Billy Worthington of Nottingham knocked out Johnny French of Leicester in the first of a scheduled six-rounder.

Frank Williams, 125, of Birkenhead, kept his unbeaten record intact when he defeated Cliff Curran, 124¾, Swansea, who was disqualified for persistent holding in the seventh round of a contest scheduled for ten rounds at the Liverpool Stadium.

Williams was ahead at the close and will be watching, for he will soon be among the top-class boys.

Mickey Colbert, 121, of Galway, outpointed Jackie McCall, 119, Garrow, in eight rounds. Jackie Bryce, 119, Glasgow, outpointed Barney Hughes, 121, Liverpool, in eight rounds.

Jim McLean of Edinburgh outpointed Freddie Wilks of Birkenhead in six rounds. Ron Taylor of Horwich defeated Curley Roberts, Swansea, in the third round, when the latter retired.

Jock Porter, 190, Glasgow, had an easy journey when he defeated Dorus Elton, who lays claim to the heavyweight championship of Holland, although he scales only 176 pounds.

The contest was scheduled for eight rounds at the West Ham Baths, but only lasted just over midway of the first session after Porter had thrown some heavy swings to the Hollander's head and had him groggy against the ropes and unable to defend himself. Referee Jack Hart did the right thing in stopping the one-sided contest, declaring Porter the winner of the contest.

Billy Thompson of Hickleton Main in Yorkshire continued his undefeated run in the professional ranks when he forced the referee to stop the contest in his favor after he had dealt out considerable punishment to Jack Grimes of Barnsley. The end came in the fifth of the scheduled eight-round contest.

Thompson, who was 1945 A.B.A. champion, looks like he is going to go a long way in the professional ranks.

Harry Davis, 152, Bethnal Green, and Petty Officer Jimmy Thornhill of the Royal Navy, 153, put up a grand battle for eight rounds, with both men suffering from cut eyes, which made them fight more fiercely, and the crowd was treated to a grand slam, in which Davis gained a narrow points decision.

Sgt. Len Bennett, 183¾, Bethnal Green, was unfortunate to share honors with Sgt. Major Reg Andrews of the Royal Marines, 184, in their eight-round battle.

Cliff Anderson, 120¾, of British Guiana, defeated Mickey Colbert, 119½, Galway, in the main bout of eight rounds at The Caledonian Road Baths.

Anderson, a classy bantamweight, was too fearful and accurate in his body punching for the Irish lad, and was well in front at the end of the contest.

Stan Hibbert of Battersea, former A.B.A. champion, made an impressive professional appearance when he defeated Billy Dixon of Hammersmith in the second round of what was a scheduled eight-rounder. The referee called a halt when Hibbert had Dixon in a very bad way.

Taffy Williams, 162, Wales, outpointed Jack Hockley, 160, Covent Garden, in a hard-fought eight-round contest at Lime Grove Baths.

This was Williams' first appearance in London since 1939, because of war service, and his win proved very popular.

Tommy Barnham, 137¾, Fulham, outpointed Freddie Wheeler, 140, Basingstoke, in six rounds. Billy Davies, 110, Wales, outpointed Billy Eastgrove, 113, Brighton, in eight rounds.

A Correction

In the March issue on Page 11, "International Boxing Takes the Spotlight," it was stated that Jock McAvoy was kayoed by Babe Risko in one round. The reverse is true. It was McAvoy who stopped Risko.

IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON
By HOMER AMUNDSEN

ABERDEEN, WASH., 80 miles from Tacoma, has returned to the state's boxing fold. Minor W. Stuart and Ted Birmingham, Aberdeen business men, hold the professional boxing license in this district. Some years back Aberdeen was a great little fight spot. Quite some pumpkins of a fighter came out of this Grays Harbor country a few years ago, Leo Lomski.

Pfc. Donnie Bush, popular little Tacoma 140-pounder, is stationed in Japan with the army of occupation.

H. O. "Whitey" Domstad, former all-Navy heavyweight champion, has been given the post of matchmaker for the D.V.A.'s in Bremerton, Wash.

Al "Cat Fish" Bourgeois, New Orleans 145-pounder, who was stationed at nearby Fort Lewis in the Medics for several months, has been transferred to an Army post in Texas. Al's last showing in this vicinity was a setto in Seattle, going to a six-round draw with Don Fitzgerald of Bremerton.

Billy Reardon, clever and hard-hitting Eastern lightweight recently discharged from the Army at Fort Lewis, is visiting the home folks in Three Rivers, Mich.

Following are the men responsible for the upswing in Tacoma's boxing comeback: Jack Connors, Fred Bruny, Frankie "Chee Chee" Britt, Harry Ketchel, Jack Silvers, Harold Bird and son Jack, Bill Gustafson. Promoter Will Maylon, and sports scribes Elliott Metcalf and Dan Walton.

Frankie "Chee Chee" Britt, a great little featherweight battler of Tacoma's boxing 25 years ago, is a familiar figure behind the greenies and more experienced ring performers in Tacoma and Pacific Northwest fight circles.

Washington State's two best bets for high "pro" ring honors, Bliss Lee Croft, heavyweight, and Don Ferris, middleweight, Tacoma boys, came through with flying colors on Promoter Will Maylon's February 21st fight show. Croft chilled Jimmy Dixon of Seattle in the first round, while Ferris won a hard four-round call over Ted Pearson of Bremerton. Don had Pearson in the grit for a five toll in the second round, but lack of experience prevented Don from keeping the Bremerton boy down for keeps.

Mike Finley, aggressive 140-pounder from Missoula, Mont., now stationed at Fort Lewis, has established himself solidly with Pacific Northwest fight fans. The sharp-hitting little Indian lad is all action and has what the business calls ring color.

Mickey Connelly, the pleasant and smart little matchmaker for the Senator Athletic Club, an amateur enterprise in Seattle, is at last meeting with some success in his simon-pure venture.

Who's Who in the boxing world always find their activities mentioned in the columns of THE RING Magazine, which, by the way, is a fast seller at all Tacoma magazine marts.

PITTSBURGH FISTIC NEWS
By FRANK T. McQUAIDE, JR.

ACTION, and plenty of it, seems to be what the fans crave when they turn out to witness the weekly boxing bouts at the Aragon Arena. Matchmaker Bill Dummer has sensed what the customers want and for several weeks now, his shows have been filling the downtown Auditorium to capacity.

In keeping with the regular Aragon action policy, the Feb. 7th main bout ended in one minute 26 seconds of the first round of a scheduled eight. Art (Bomber) Brown, 192, Pittsburgh, was the winner over Tony Cira, 247, Pittsburgh. Brown started work early on his massive ex-service man opponent, and it was a certainty he would win when only a few seconds of the first had gone by. Referee Buck McTiernan wisely stopped the bout.

Willie Jenkins, 149, Homestead, Pa., scored his sixth consecutive win by way of a technical knockout over Tommy Franklin, 143, of Columbus, Ohio, in round two of another scheduled eight. Willie Gillian, 128, Homestead, Pa., won by split decision over Nick Lewis, 131, Columbus, Ohio, in six rounds. Sammy Schipano, 143, Pittsburgh, copped the decision over Bobby Comerine, 143, Homestead, Pa., four rounds. Jimmy Campbell, 156, Steubenville, Ohio, and Green Leak, 156, Pittsburgh, battled four furious rounds to a draw.

Sammy Adragna, popular local welterweight, started out on a winning streak upon his recent discharge from the Army, and Feb. 14th he made it five in a row by copping a unanimous ten round decision over Frankie Abrams of Detroit.

Abrams, a protege of Fritzie Zivic, took the lead in the early rounds, jabbing and hooking effectively with his left and scoring repeatedly to head and body with his right. Had he continued to box in this fashion, the result might have been different. However, he decided to mix it with Sammy on the inside and that is when Adragna, seemingly the stronger of the two, began landing the more telling blows, and forged ahead to win by a comfortable margin.

Adragna weighed 146, Abrams 147.

Adragna hails from Carnegie, Pa., a suburb of Pittsburgh which claims as its principal citizen, Honus Wagner, one of the all-time greats of baseball.

Mimmie Adragna, 124, Carnegie, Pa., brother of Sammy, fighting his second fight since being discharged from the army, won the six round semi-final from Ossie Peguese, 119, Youngstown, Ohio. A fast bout that pleased the sell-out crowd saw Mimmie out in front all of the way.

In a scheduled four rounder, Dave Bruce, 145, Pittsburgh, won by a technical knockout over Al Kennedy, 144, Pittsburgh, in one minute 54 seconds of the first round. Jack McCahill, 162, Canonsburg, Pa., decisioned Roy Crews, 161, Ellwood City, Pa., four rounds. Rich Callura, 131, Pittsburgh, and Velmond White, 127, Steubenville, Ohio, fought four fast rounds to a draw.

"Beware of the fellow who throws a haymaker." That is an axiom Art (Bomber) Brown, local heavyweight, learned belatedly in his scheduled ten round main bout with Charley Roth of Akron, Ohio, Feb. 21st.

Roth, puffing and wheezing, was far behind going into the third round. Stalking his opponent doggedly he watched anxiously for an opening to deliver the knockout blows he knew he had to land in order to win.

Midway in the third round, Roth sighted his target. A left hook to the body, a right cross to the jaw and Brown went down. On his feet at nine, pain etched on his face, Brown tried desperately to ward off the now inspired and refreshed Akron strong boy. Lashing out furiously with lefts and rights to the head and body, Roth had his opponent on the ropes and at his mercy when wise Freddie Mastrean, the referee, halted the contest.

Charley Roth weighed 194, Art (Bomber) Brown, 190.

The scheduled six round semi-final ended abruptly when Willie Jenkins, 147, Homestead, Pa., knocked out Tommy Woodley, 140, Akron, Ohio, in one minute 55 seconds of round two. John Turner, 172, Clairton, Pa., decisioned Billy Heeps, 171, Carnegie, Pa., four rounds. Jack Besselman, 171, Pittsburgh, kayoed Nat Smith, 158, Pittsburgh, one minute 48 seconds in round two of a scheduled four. Bobby Comerine, 146, Pittsburgh, drew with Dave Bruce, 146, Pittsburgh, four rounds, and Ossie Neal, 160, Clairton, Pa., decisioned Jimmy Campbell, 158, Steubenville, Ohio, four rounds.

A sell-out crowd attended.

IN CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA
By DANNY MYERS

APPROXIMATELY 1100 ring-hungry fans turned out in Hazleton, Pa., to see Joe Murphy, hard puncher from Harrisburg, win an eight-round decision from Charley Sabatelle of Dunmore, Pa., and floor the coal miner for a count of five, after Sabatelle had opened a nasty cut over Murphy's left optic.

Murphy, who is dubbed the "Atomic Puncher," and Sabatelle were well received and were a great hit. Murphy scaled 144, while Sabatelle tipped the beam at 147.

Brown "Kid" Lee, 131, Harrisburg, Pa., formerly of Huntington, W. Va., was the winner over Johnny Gall, 133, of Freeland, Pa., in the six-round semi-final fracas. The Lee Gall bout was credited with being the fastest bout on the card.

Van Banks, 154, a newcomer to Harrisburg boxing circles, came through in fine fashion when he won by a T.K.O. over Frank Sando, 158, Hazleton, Pa., in the second stanza of a scheduled six-round bout. Sando sustained an injury to his side and was unable to continue.

Harry Weill, Reading, Pa., boxing promoter, presented his pretzel bending fight fans with a very pleasing show on Friday, March 1st. Weill beat many promoters to the punch in matching hard hitting Harold Jamaica Smith, 151, Philadelphia, Pa., with Jimmy "Blond Tiger" Hill, 148, Harrisburg, Pa.

Hill, a terrific southpaw puncher, floored Smith in the first setto. Smith then dropped Hill in the fourth for a count of nine. Smith again smelled resin in the fifth but he was saved by the bell. The sixth came up with a bang and Harrisburg's Lethal Larruper went after the kill, sending Smith to the canvas three times. Referee Joe Sweeney stepped in to save Smith from a serious injury. The end came at one minute and fifty-six seconds of the sixth round.

Other bouts were: Billy Pappas, 177, Reading, Pa., scored a two round K.O. over Jimmy Maxwell, 178, also of Reading. A deep gash over Maxwell's nose prompted the club physician to stop the bout.

Mike Threadgill, 139, Camden, N. J., disposed of Pete Buck, 136, Harrisburg, Pa., in 39 seconds of the first round.

Brown "Kid" Lee, 130, Harrisburg, Pa., journeyed to Atlantic City, N. J., to battle Leon Broxton, 139, Philadelphia, on Feb. 28, and Broxton won when the referee stopped the bout due to a cut on Lee's lower right eyelid.

Jimmy Hill, Jess Moraney, Brown "Kid" Lee, Bobby Waters, Joe Murphy, Johnny "Red" Fees, are the active Harrisburg fighters now doing their stuff for the ringworms.

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TAMPA AND VICINITY
By VELASQUES

THE Army may soon give back to the 116th Field Artillery its new half million dollar indoor sports arena. The arena is located in West Tampa at Benjamin Field, a site that made boxing popular in Tampa the past twenty years. It has a seating capacity of 6000, which is just what Tampa needs if it is going to make boxing pay.

Billy Moore, the Canadian welter fighting in Florida rings, is none other than the well known Jerry Coursol of Montreal.

Here are the reports of fights in Florida and vicinity:

Elmer Ray, 193, scored a four round TKO over Dan Merritt, 210, before a capacity crowd of over 5000 fans at the Dorsey Park arena. Merritt was the aggressor throughout the first three rounds but he failed to hurt Ray who dropped him several times, once through the ropes at the end of the third round. In the fourth, Ray swarmed all over Merritt and smashed him to the canvas and the referee stepped in to call it quits for Merritt. . . . Elza Thompson, 242, knocked out Red Jester, 192, in five rounds. . . . Gene Brown, 145, lost a fast six rounder to Speedy Baker, 145. . . . Kid Nelson, 165, knocked out Jack Davis, 167, in the first round. . . . Jack Simmons, 132, knocked out Fast Black, 137, in five rounds and Joe Elco defeated Kid Sneed in four.

Clarence King, 145, and George Larover, 144, went 10 rounds to a draw at Miami. The fight was close all the way. . . . Frankie Wetsel, 133, got up from a nine count knockdown to outpoint Jack Kasko, 142. . . . Floyd Hagon, 139, knocked out Lou Gatti, 138. . . . Bob Timpson, 150, knocked out Lou Miller, 156, in six rounds. . . . Fred Shockley, 170, and Billy Miller drew in six and Robbie Ralson, 128, defeated Curley Williams, 135, by a TKO in two rounds.

Frankie Ross, 142, defeated Johnny Lovett, 138, in a ten round bout at West Palm Beach. Lovett strictly an in-fighter, never got a chance to get set and won only two of the rounds. . . . Chili Cantero stopped Tommy Moore in seven rounds.

Frankie O'Hare and Russell Lajour went six rounds to a draw, this was the best bout on the card. . . . Ernest Nogues knocked out Frankie Fernley in the third after dropping him five times. . . . Robbie Ralson knocked out Ray McAulee in three rounds.

Buddy Rose defeated Blackie Deer in a ten round bout at Augusta, Ga. Bat Stroud, a Tampa middleweight, won over Georgie Humes in a six round bout at Hartford, Conn. This was a rematch, Humes having knocked out Stroud in their first meeting. Frankie Ross put an end to the winning streak of Johnny Lovett that had reached 15. Manolo Fernandez has scored 19 knockouts in 22 starts.

Maurice "Lefty" LaChance and Norman "Hi Ho" Silver gave the fans a treat in the sixth round of their bout at Miami. They dropped their hands to their sides and engaged in a butting session such as has never been witnessed in a Florida ring.

Willard Buckless, former national amateur welter champion, stopped Knute "Buster" Baker in the sixth round when Baker was unable to continue due to a cut eye. . . . Josh Johnson, 188, knocked out Wally Baden, 204, in six rounds after flooring him several times in the fifth round. . . . Russ Baxter, a newcomer from New Castle, Pa., defeated Buddy Rose in a ten round bout. Baxter shapes up as one of the finest middleweights seen here in recent bouts. . . . Lou Gatti, 138, defeated Robbie Ralson, 129, in six rounds and Ray Roark, 160, knocked out Al Summer, 150, in two rounds.

Manolo Fernandez, Havana, gained a five round TKO over Tommy Moore, 130, when the latter was unable to continue due to a broken thumb. Fernandez won the first three rounds by a wide margin, but Moore came back strong to earn a draw in the next two rounds only to injure his thumb after landing a hard left hook to the head as the round ended. . . . Knute "Buster" Baker won over Sammy Mammone in the second round when Mammone was forced to retire due to an arm injury. . . . Buddy Rose and Willard Buckless went ten rounds to a draw. This was an unpopular decision as Buckless appeared to be an easy winner to the fans. . . . Frankie O'Hare scored a speedy knockout over Johnny Dupree in 1:36 of the second round.

Joe Legon, Havana, scored a big upset when he knocked out Charley Padalino of Detroit in two rounds. Legon won the first round by a wide margin and dropped Padalino three times in the second before the referee decided Padalino had taken enough punishment. Legon had too much experience for the youthful Detroiter and displayed the best left hook seen here in many years.

Manny Gomez surprised by winning over Joe Torres of New York in ten rounds. Gomez piled up enough points in the last five rounds to gain the nod despite a cut eye that bothered him during the entire bout. . . . Ernest Nogues knocked out Tiny Alfonso in the second round and Henry Waters won from Kid Tupiano in a four rounder. . . . Little Toney made it two out of three by again defeating Paul Bustamante in a sixer.

Joe Lynch, New Jersey middleweight, defeated Eddie Steele, Macon, Ga., in ten rounds; Eddie Boden, Miami light-heavy, knocked out Roy Evans of Tampa in three rounds; Lou Miller, New York middleweight, defeated Larry Lynn in six rounds; Jack Kasko and Ray Jackson, middleweights, drew in six rounds.

Abie Kaufman, Phila., lost an unpopular ten rounder to Bulldog Camagueyano, Cuba, before 1000 fans that roared their disapproval at what appeared to be the worst decision ever dished out in Tampa. Camagueyano won only the fifth and seventh rounds. Kaufman landed the most punches and made Camagueyano look foolish as he coasted to what appeared to be a one sided affair.

Red Bryant, Plant City middleweight, won handily over Pete Noriega of Tampa in the best bout of the card.

Manolo Fernandez knocked out Monty Fuller in the first round and Ernest Nogues stopped Tiny Alfonzo in three rounds; Sam Rodriguez of Tampa knocked out Max Turner of St. Petersburg.

Frankie Ross, Boston southpaw, again defeated Johnny Lovett of Philadelphia in ten rounds. Ross won three of the rounds with Lovett taking only the first and the tenth. They fought on even terms the other five rounds with Ross forging ahead in the ninth round with three hard blows.

Frankie O'Hare won from Lou Miller by a wide margin in a six rounder and Bobby Feller stopped Johnny Janiro in 1:12 of the first round.

Russ Baxter upset Joe Torres by stopping him in 1:02 of the third round. Torres was floored three times and was badly outclassed from the start.

Russ Lajour knocked out Jack Kasko in 1:16 of the second round.

Ray Delgado lost to Luis Galvani in eight rounds at Havana, and then in his next start at New Orleans, he dropped a disputed decision to Augie Lapara in eight rounds. . . . Larry Spencer, Jacksonville bantam, was knocked out in 2:59 of round four by Jake Sabello of New York, at Brooklyn.

Can you top this . . . At Havana Baby Coullimber defeated Santiago Sosa in a ten round bout. Coullimber's purse was $200 and Sosa's was $897.45. . . . Delgado was paid $120 for losing to Galvani who got $100. . . . Mayet, another winner by a knockout in three rounds, was paid $120, while Poey, the loser, received $150. . . . Diego Sosa received $363.41 for a ten round win over National Kid who received $484.54.

Jerry McSwain, 188, knocked out Allen Small, 185, in two rounds at Miami Beach; Dom Youvella, 158, New York, defeated Knute "Buster" Baker, 155, Terre Haute, Ind., in eight rounds at Miami; Cleo Everett, 192, Jacksonville, defeated Verne Esco, 185, Toronto, in a six round prelim at Madison Square Garden.

At Miami, Clyde Gordon knocked out Joe Fagin in two rounds; Frankie Wetsel won over Hal Meredith in six rounds; Phil Carter and Mike Lucas drew in four rounds and Wally Baden knocked out Bill Frost.

At Dorsey Park Arena, Colion Chaney won over Billy Duncan in ten rounds; Al Kinsey of Miami knocked out Jack Davis of Bradenton in three rounds; Fast Black knocked out Bob Montgomery in three rounds; Little Leroy defeated Sam Langford in a three round bout between paperweights. This was an all Negro show.

At Miami, Frankie Ross won over Abie Kaufman in ten rounds; Billy Murphy knocked out Bobby O'Day in two rounds; Frankie Wetsel knocked out Chuck Donalson in three rounds; Joe Fagin knocked out Bill Bernier in the first round and Lou Gatti won from Bob Monroe in four rounds.

Rudy Ganski, Chicago welter, upset Russell LaSure of New Castle, Pa., by stopping him in 1:50 of round six at Fort Lauderdale. LaSure sank to the canvas following a punch to the midsection which many of the fans did not even see. LaSure had battered Ganski all over the ring and almost knocked him out when the end came. Bill Parsons, Danville, Ill., and Frankie Wetsel of Philadelphia battled six dull rounds to a draw. Parsons was a last minute sub for Young Chino who failed to show up due to car trouble. Floyd Templeton of Fort Lauderdale won a close four round decision from Bob McGinty of Detroit.

Maurice "Lefty" LaChance left Miami to win an eight round decision over Augie Lapara at New Orleans; Mario Ochoa scored a 22 second knockout over Red Doty at Havana. He lost to Chico Morales at Miami on March 7 in ten rounds.

Pee Wee Flores, Puerto Rico, scored a quick two round knockout over Jerry Lavigne of Canada.

Larry Lynn was given a 2-1 decision over Marcel Fournier in the eight round semi-final.

Ernest Nogues outpointed Joe Diaz in an eight rounder that was the best bout of the card.

Charlie Nelson of Sarasota, defeated Sonny Hope of St. Petersburg in six rounds. Charlie Stokes stabbed out a decision over Frankie Dell in the four-round opener.

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IN VANCOUVER AND VICINITY
By JIM JOHNSTON

KENNY LINDSAY, Canadian featherweight champ, and Bobby Richards, Frisco featherweight, battled to a slashing ten-round draw at Seattle on February 8. Each fighter scaled 124. Lindsay, making his second start since being discharged from the air force, carried the fight to Richards all the way and scored repeatedly with his left hook to the body. Lindsay had previously decisioned Richards at Spokane but Bobby was an improved fighter this time and Kenny had to be satisfied with a draw.

Jackie Turner, classy Vancouver bantam, punished Joey Clemo, of Portland, around for six rounds in winning a one-sided bout. It was Jackie's second straight win over Clemo.

Ralph Garrison, of Aberdeen, Wash., surprised when he chilled Chester Orr, Vancouver welter, in two stanzas.

Phil Palmer, Vancouver welterweight, continued his winning ways when he decisioned Rudy Camp at New York.

Eight Vancouver boxers made the grade and made Nat Fleischer's Ring Ratings for 1945. Middleweight, Hank Egli; welterweights, Phil Palmer, Jimmy Pierce and Chester Orr; featherweights. Freddie Steele and Kenny Lindsay; bantamweights, Jackie Turner and Bobbie Parker. All were rated. This is quite an improvement over 1944 when only three Vancouver boys were listed.

Hector MacDonald, former Vancouver lightweight of yesterday and Vancouver's No. 1 referee, is now coach of the Varsity boxing team. Hector's star product is Phil Olsen who after absorbing seven boxing lessons from Hec, went into the ring for the first time in his life in the recent Golden Glove tourney and decisioned seasoned Eric Smith.

Smilin' Terry Doyle, just out of the army, displayed a nifty left jab and plenty of boxing ability as he walloped Harold Robbins, local southpaw.

Billy MacDonald, walloping welterweight, smashed Bus Lindsay to the canvas in three bouts. It was an even fight until Billy got Bus in a corner in the third and from then on, brother, it was murder!

The annual Vancouver *Sun* Golden Gloves were staged at the Forum and 14,000 fans witnessed the two night show. They were treated to an action packed tourney. Barney Ross, former welterweight champion, and hero at Guadalcanal, received a tremendous ovation. He refereed several bouts.

The best looking fighter in the Gloves was Jack Herweynen, light-heavyweight champ, who walked through all opposition. Herweynen decisioned veteran Everett Biggs in the final.

The heavyweight champ was Tony Strauss who flattened Phil Olsen in 62 seconds.

Spokane—Frankie Gimble, hard socking Spokane middleweight, battled to a furious ten-round draw with Jimmy Hayden, of San Francisco, in the main event of Orien Gross' card on February 9. Gimble scaled 160 while Hayden came in at 161.

Jackie Turner, that classy Vancouver bantam, fought to a draw with Benny Jerome, Yakima battler, in a sizzling six-round semi. Turner at 117 spotted Jerome seven pounds.

Two popular Oregon fighters, Woodburn's Joe Kahut and Portland's Tommy Moyer, carried away fistic honors at Portland on February 15 before 4879 fans. Kahut flattened his opponent in the third heat while Moyer won an unpopular decision.

Salem, Ore.—Freddie Steele, Vancouver's southpaw featherweight, tasted defeat for the first time when he was stopped by Duane Hoag, of Portland, in the sixth of a scheduled ten-rounder. Hoag outweighed Steele 127 to 125.

Tragedy struck in one of the prelims, when Jack Von, 180 pound Salem fighter, died in the hospital shortly after he was stopped by Bob Ford, 178, Portland.

Ford and Von were mixing it in a corner during the fifth stanza when Ford knocked Von through the ropes. The unfortunate Von's head struck the rope as he went through and it was believed he had broken his neck.

It was Von's fourth pro fight and this was the third time he had fought Ford.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By TOM EPHREM

AUGUSTA, GA.—Promoter Roy Hensley's second fistic offering in some time saw Tom Sharkey and "Irish" Georgie Henley in a ten round feature, decision going to the former in a lukewarm mix.

Far from being a sensational fight, it was never the less an earnestly contested bout with both boys doing their level best to knock each other's block off. Sharkey's superior ring savvy brought him the award, his best round being the eighth when he ripped in a damaging collection of rights and lefts. He lacked the steam to sustain the attack, however. Both boys were well marked up at the close of the ten rounds.

In the semi eight, Brooklyn Al Reid received a very premature Xmas gift from the officials when he was given a draw against Earl Hamilton, Charlotte, N. C., welterweight. In this excellent match, Hamilton's unorthodox battling appeared to have given him four rounds, with two going to Reid and two even.

Georgie Sheppard, successful promoter-manager boxing figure, was a visitor down at West Palm Beach. Sheppard likes Irish Johnny Lovett, a young Philadelphia welterweight, whose record stands at fifteen wins in sixteen starts. Johnny is only 21. Standing out in his triumphs, are those over Jack Larrimore and Ernie Petrone. Petrone is the boy who recently beat Clarence "Cotton" King. Lovett came out of the Service several months ago.

Another good ringman is Russ Baxter, of New Castle, Penn. He is another overseas veteran. His best win is over the rough, tough Buddy Rose. Russ is a middleweight. In Miami, on February 11, Baxter defeated Buddy.

Joey Ackerman, former Jacksonville featherweight crowd-pleaser, is again a civilian. Joey was in England, France, Germany, and Austria. Joey hits over 150 now.

In a middleweight dish, for the Southern championship, Bobby Britton, Miami fighter, won a great fight and the title, in stopping the rugged Eddie Steele, of Macon, Georgia, in round twelve.

At Miami, Florida—Elmer Ray, Florida's outstanding fight contribution today, kept his knockout streak going in adding Dan Merritt, of Cleveland, Ohio, to the list. Ray, from Hastings, Florida, weighed 203, and Merritt, 200. The fatal round was the fourth.

Charles Lesemann, Charleston lad who served in the Philippines and Japan, was discharged from Service and plans on putting boxing before his home towners.

At Miami, Florida—Georgie Larover, classy Philadelphia welterweight star, made a big hit with Floridians by holding the favored Clarence "Cotton" King, of West Palm Beach, to a ten round standstill. So great was the fight, that the pair are on for a return.

Jimmy Sheppard, former light-heavyweight ace from Springfield, Illinois, is coaching the boxers at the Marine Base, Parris Island, S. C. Jimmy, a Marine, is doing good work with the boys and has several prize prospects.

At Fort Lauderdale, Florida—Russ Baxter, Philadelphia prospect, did well in knocking out Willard Buckless in five rounds here. The end came in the fifth for Buckless.

At West Palm Beach — Manolo Fernandez, Cuban lightweight, was a TKO victor over Tommy Moore, 130 pounder from Boston. Moore broke his thumb on Fernandez's noggin in the fifth round. The Cuban battler was ahead at the time. Another bout scheduled for ten rounds, ended in the second, as Knute "Buster" Baker, Terre Haute welter, was declared winner over Sammy Mammone, Stamford, Conn. Sammy injured his arm in the second heat and was forced to quit. The only ten rounder going the distance saw Buddy Rose, Tampa rough-tough middleweight, and Willard Buckless, Boston boy, go for a draw. The crowd favored Buckless. A quick kayo was registered by another promising Philadelphian, Frankie O'Hare, who put it over on Johnny Dupree, of Tampa. The end came for Dupree in the second. O'Hare, a lightweight, is a former Golden Gloves champ. He bears watching, and is undefeated in Florida rings.

At Fort Lauderdale, Florida—Another victory added to Russ Baxter's streak, and this time the Philly fighter scored over the Puerto Rican gamester, Joe Torres, in the headlining ten. This middleweight is going places.

Josh Johnson, Raleigh, N. C., heavyweight, is hoping to fight his way up to a duel with Tampa Tommy Gomez. The Carolinian has stopped seven opponents in his comeback since his release from the army. His trainer is Lawson H. Glenn. Johnson's record shows a TKO over Johnny Brewer in three rounds at Charlotte, N. C.; TKO over Tony Mitchell in one heat at Raleigh, N. C.; TKO over "Freck" Huffstickler in six at Charlotte, N. C.; TKO over Mach Neal in five, also at Charlotte; K.O. over Bill Thompson in six, again at Charlotte; K.O. over Al Small in round two at Charlotte; and K.O. over Wally Baden in six at Miami, Florida.

At West Palm Beach—Frankie Ross, Boston, 142, is credited with ending the fifteen straight wins of Philadelphia Johnny Lovett, 138, a scrappy Irish lad. Frankie won the duke over Johnny in a pleasing fight here.

A scheduled ten rounder between Chili Cantero, of Havana, Cuba, and Tommy Moore, of Boston, went to Chili in the seventh by a TKO. It was a case of too much Chili. Moore subbed for Freddie Pope, who was ill.

A six round bout stole the program, Frankie O'Hare and Russ Lajour battled their hearts out for the 2300 spectators in this event. The fight ended in a draw and kept both boxers' records intact, with no loss for either. O'Hare is from Philadelphia; Lajour from New Castle, Penn.

In the four round prelims, both came to an end a round before the final canto. Ernest Nogues, Tampa boy, ended the evening for Frankie Ferndey, of Fort Lauderdale. The loser was game to the core. He was down three times in the second, and twice in the third, the last being the damaging one. Robbie Balsom, Miami, got the other kayo. His victim was Ray McAulee, of Washington, D.C. Robbie had downed his man twice before the bout was halted.

At Savannah, Ga.—Buddy Rose, Tampa middleweight, elevated his fistic stock tremendously by winning via the knockout route over Asheville Johnny Taylor. Not only did Buddy plant the sleeper on Johnny, but brought the Carolinian's ten straight kayo streak to an abrupt end. Previously no one had gone the distance with him in his brief pro career. Rose scored three knockdowns, including the final count. The weights, Rose, 161, and Taylor, 153.

In the semi-final, Jennings Brotherton, a 150 pound Parris Island Marine, under coaching of Jimmy Sheppard, former light-heavyweight, used his punching power to bring Jack Brazzealle, of Jacksonville, down to his size and finally score a TKO in six rounds. It was a sweet scrap all the way. Jennings had Jack down for a count in the fourth heat.

In a six rounder, Carl McKinney agreed to sub for Fag Simmons, of Savannah, but he tackled too much weight, with the result that he put up a game, though losing scrap to Lew Brown, a Marine under Jimmy Sheppard. Carl won the crowd's plaudits by his stand. He weighed 126.

In a four round prelim bout, Jack Lisle, local war hero with the Fifth Army, put on his pro trunks and won by a knockout over Tommy Peavie in the first round. Both boys weighed 140.

At Brunswick, Ga.—Carl McKinney, 132, Jacksonville, lost a torrid ten rounder to another Jacksonville youth, Jackie Blount, 135.

In Aiken, S. C., on February 14, Jimmy Sheppard, Springfield, Illinois, marine, stationed at Parris Island, S. C., took time off from his coaching duties to trounce K.O. Garvin in ten rounds of the feature bout. The following week Jimmy trekked to Aiken once more and proved the master of Garvin, lacing him in another tenner. On the February 14 card, Jennings Brotherton won a six heater semi over Pat Linton. Brotherton, under tutelage of Sheppard, bears watching.

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BOXING IN MEXICO
By CARLOS VERA

IN the most important fight of this season, Carlos Malacara won over Tony Mar of Sonora in 12 rounds, and gained the lightweight championship of Mexico. The former champ was Rodolfo Ramirez, but he quit and the Mexican Boxing Commission designated Mar and Malacara as the outstanding contenders for the crown.

A capacity house witnessed this fight, held at the Coliseo. Nine thousand fans paid 74,800 Mexican pesos, and the majority booed the decision. Malacara suffered bad cuts in the face. Tony used a splendid jab, but the judges were impressed with the aggressive style of Malacara.

Kid Azteca, still the welterweight champion of Mexico, put Kid Filipino to sleep in the eighth round. Filipino was ahead on points when a terrific right to the jaw sent him to the canvas for the full count.

Chucho Llanez, another boy of the Romo brothers' stable, gave a boxing lesson to Raul Bustamante in ten heats. In his second fight of this year, he beat Saul Torres, a dangerous lightweight puncher.

Chucho Ruiz, a promising lightweight, beat Filio Prado. Filio was too slow. Bernardo Flores, who won the bantamweight championship in the Golden Gloves tournament last year, beat Luis Reyes, another good little boy. This was the first defeat of Reyes as a professional fighter.

Promoters are doing good business in Mexico, where three shows are staged per week.

Lightweight or welterweight boxers wishing to fight in Mexico should contact the writer at Paseo de la Reforma 35-3, Mexico City.

BOXING IN CUBA
By MILT BARON

HAVANA saw something good, when Joe Legon, Cuba's welterweight champion pounded out a ten round decision over Izzy Jannazzo, of Brooklyn, New York, at the Sports Palace in this city. Jannazzo was well liked, and some considered he deserved a draw. This card was another Godoy promotion.

Diego Sosa, 135, outpointed Battling Soccorros in ten rounds, and Rosendo Perez, 146, drew in eight rounds with Raul Lezcano. Brilliant Kid scored a three round kayo over Rogelio Aldazabal, featherweights, and Gregorio Perez outpointed Rene Camacho, featherweights.

Mario Ochoa, middleweight, easily beat Wildcat G. Henry in ten rounds at Godoy's show on February 2. Rosendo Perez, welterweight, knocked out Roberto Alonso in two rounds, and Isais Ochoa drew in eight rounds with Bart Molina, welterweights, February 2, 1946.

Gavilan Kid, Cuban lightweight champion, in a return go, easily won from Kid Bururu. It was a real speedy contest at another show in Havana. Santiago Sosa, ex-lightweight king, beat Raul Cenut in ten rounds.

Wilfredo Mayet after a long rest, came back to win over Kid Tunerito by the kayo route in the eighth canto. Wilfredo Miro beat Gabino Lovell in four rounds. Mayet, a short time ago, looked like a coming champion. Let's see what the stars hold for his future.

Luis Godoy, Cuba's outstanding boxing promoter, has a load of good fights coming this year. He is trying to get Willie Pep to fight in Havana. He is also interested in putting over a heavyweight card of international fame. Come on, Godoy, keep up the good work.

Luis Galvani, Cuban bantamweight champion, had little trouble in putting the KO sign over Manolito Kid of Mexico in the third round of a scheduled ten rounder on February 16.

FROM TRINIDAD, B.W.I.
By RONALD H. PINHEIRO

LOCAL boxing fans witnessed one of the poorest star bouts seen in years as Ansell Baba Adams, 179, Southern kayo artist, and Charlie Jones, 180½, American Negro heavyweight, waltzed their way through ten dreary rounds with Adams winning the decision.

The crowd booed throughout the entire fight. Jones claimed a bad hand and offered to box Adams for nothing in a return go to prove he really can fight when in top condition.

In the semi-final scheduled for eight rounds, Lawrence Assam, former amateur star, handed Cocoa Kid Gilkes his first defeat when he flattened the latter in two rounds. Assam weighed 137, while Gilkes scaled 139.

Baby Face Daniel, 117, and Victor Hernandez, 116, hooked up in what turned out to be the best fight of the night with Baby Face nosing Victor out after six sensational rounds.

Tiger Haynes, Barbados middleweight, 156, and Kid Geronimo, 156, had the fans in stitches as they comically slugged their way to a four-round draw in the opener.

On February 7, Kid German, Lightweight Champion of the Southern Caribbean, lost his first fight when he was beaten by Young Santo Domingo Terror, Kid Dinamita. Dinamita, who is only 18 years old, came here with a record of 51 contests of which he lost only one. Although German lost, he fought well, but the two-fisted attack which started from round one, and only halted when the ten rounds had been completed, was too much for him. German scaled 136½ and Dinamita, 143½.

In the supporting bouts: George Pilgrim, 132, scored a points decision over Joe Gans, 128, of Barbados in eight.

Bob Lincoln, 182, won by TKO in the fourth round over Ken Griffith, 174, of Barbados.

In the opening bout, Panama Kid, classy middleweight, returned to the ring after a long layoff and scored a decision over One Punch Holder in six.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By BROADWAY JOHNNY COX

WITH the famous Mardi Gras over, Promoters Louis Messina and Heard Ragas, and Matchmakers Lew Raymond and Emile Bruneau got back into action with weekly fistic cards. It was the first Mardi Gras staged here since 1941 and the largest crowd in the history of the gala celebrations watched the parades.

Jock Leslie, Flint, Mich., featherweight contender, witnessed his first Mardi Gras along with Manager Lester Krell. Leslie joined the fun makers by masking. Leslie in his fight here on February 22, defeated Lou Alter, Canadian Hebrew, in ten rounds. Referee Eddie Coulon was the third man in the ring. The three officials cast their ballots for Jock.

On March 8th, Leslie faced Hugo "Pee Wee" Flores, Puerto Rican, 120 pounder, who has become a sensation in Florida rings. Promoter Louis Messina and Matchmaker Lew Raymond stage the Leslie-Flores bout.

Promoter Heard Ragas and Matchmaker Emile Bruneau staged a ten-rounder between Louis Rousse, local middleweight and Howell Steen, on March 11. It was Rousse's first local appearance since his return from Gotham where he ran up a big winning streak losing only to Neva Esparza.

Steen held a six round win over Rousse before Rousse left for the East. Rousse had been originally slated to meet Cosby Linson here two weeks ago but Louis developed boils the day previous to the bout and it was canceled.

Augie Lapara is inconsistent. He lost a ten round decision to Maurice "Lefty" LaChance in his last local start. He was a 1 to 3 favorite to beat LaChance. Patsy Spatora pounded out a ten round win over Fidel Rivera and made a big hit.

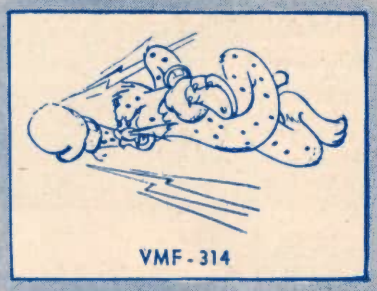
Pal Moran, Jr., returned from Buffalo, N. Y. He is the son of Pal Moran, former Southern lightweight champion, who fought Lew Tendler, Benny Leonard, Charley White, Johnny Dundee and numerous other fistic stars around the old Madison Square Garden. Moran met Mickey McCoy, Texas lightweight, here on the Leslie-Flores card.

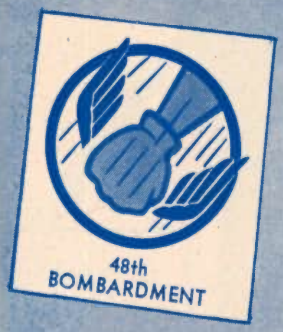
Fistic Shorts—Charley Rodriguez is crowding them in daily at his 828 Gravier Street gymnasium. Joe Russo, who trained Fred Fulton, Marty Burke, Pal Moran and others is associated with Charley in the swanky gym. Pete Herman reports that Joe Kosky and Eddie Bertolino will go East under Sammy Goldman's management. Sammy has been inactive in recent years. Goldman managed Pete Herman, twice bantam champion and Tony Canzoneri, holder of three titles. He is regarded as one of the shrewdest pilots in the game.

Bertolino and Kosky are fine prospects if matched properly. Cosby Linson has gone back East under Chris Dundee's management. Marty Burke and Pete Herman have two of the highest class night clubs in the famed Vieux Carre section. Harry (champ) Segal, who piloted Phil Rosenberg to the bantam title spent several weeks here and was a daily visitor at the Fair Grounds race track.

Al Kearney, former Southern welterweight champion, is building up a stable of mitt swingers. Promoter Louis Messina is back in action with Sunday afternoon Negro fight cards. New Orleans is probably the only city in the United States where Sunday fights are legal. The Louisiana law also allows bouts of 20 rounds.

Nick Camarata, who was recently stopped by Tony Rios at Galveston, Tex., has hung up the gloves. Nick was a crowd pleaser and a swell kid and can no longer cope with the youngsters coming up. Heard Ragas has leased the Coliseum arena for three years. Harold Buckley is handling the publicity for the Ragas-Emile Bruneau combination and doing a swell job. Billy Brown, Memphis, Tenn., former welterweight, who had the distinction of flooring Jack Britton on Britton's last comeback was a carnival visitor from Charleston, S. C.





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